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TRADE SLUMP IN INDIA.

CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE EFFECTS.

HUGE DECLINE IN PIECE GOODS BUSINESS.

AMRITSAR POSITION.

London, Aug. 5.
The Government of India's appreciation of the situation up to last Saturday states that subject to the comments given below there has been no change during the week and that the improvement manifested during the past few weeks is maintained. In Waziristan, the settlement with various Mahsud sections is proceeding very satisfactorily. On the northern border of Peshawar district the situation has remained somewhat obscure throughout the week but there has been no overt act of hostility.

There is no change in the situation in Bannu City in the North-West Frontier Province. The process of disarming the affected portions of the rural area has continued throughout the week.

During the week it has been necessary to apply the Prevention of Intimidation Ordinance to the Central Provinces where picketing has become more intensive and the methods more forcible. The Unlawful Investigation Ordinance, which makes penal investigation to non-payment of land revenue and certain other dues, has been applied to the United Provinces where Congress propaganda has been carried on in some villages.

Forest Law Breach.

The breach of the forest laws appears to be extending in the Central Provinces and in the Bombay Presidency, and in some places it has been accompanied by willful damage to standing trees.

Picketing of schools and colleges continues in some towns and in Calcutta has necessitated the successive postponement of certain law examinations. Generally, however, this part of the Congress programme does not appear to be achieving any considerable success. The position in Gujarat continues to improve.

Position in Bombay.

More village officers have withdrawn their resignations and in several districts the collection of land revenue is proceeding better than was expected. The economic position in Bombay City is deteriorating. On 1st August six mills closed down involving thirteen thousand operatives and it is anticipated that other mills will close in the early future owing to their inability to finance further production.

The economic effects of the civil disobedient movement are not confined to Bombay, although they are perhaps most pronounced in that city.

Amritsar Depression.

In Amritsar, which is an important centre for foreign goods trade, the ban on foreign goods has resulted in the locking up of a very large amount of capital with the inevitable consequences that trade and finance is seriously affected and that the movement of Indian-made goods is impeded. It is reported that the sales of piece goods dropped in the month of June from an average of twenty five to two lakhs. The Madras Government reports that in several places large numbers of weavers have been thrown out of employment owing to the civil disobedient movement.

The operation of economic forces may be expected to encourage the increasing opposition to the continuance of the movement. Subject to the above remarks the position in the various Provinces is as stated in last week's appreciation.—British Wireless.

Stormy Calcutta Scenes.

Calcutta, Aug. 6.
There were uproarious scenes at a meeting of the Calcutta Corporation to elect a Mayor and Aldermen, owing to the failure of the Mayor (Mr. Sen Gupta) who is at present in prison, to take the oath within the statutory period.

The candidates for office at yesterday's meeting were Mr. Sen Gupta and Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, who is also in prison. The

BIGGER GRANT TO UNIVERSITY.

BALANCING ITS BUDGET FOR THIS YEAR.

TOTAL OF \$350,000.

In connexion with the finances of the Hongkong University the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council will be asked on Thursday to approve a grant in aid of Institution of the University of Hongkong amounting to \$300,000. Provision was made in last year's estimates for a sum of \$50,000.

His Excellency the Governor-in-Council discussed the finances of the University on July 10 and July 17 this year and it was agreed to ask the Secretary of State's approval of the following proposals.

(a) The total grant of \$350,000 to be made on account of 1930.

(b) The increased grant to be used in the first place to balance the University budget to the close of 1930 on the basis of existing salaries.

(c) The University to produce a modified scheme of revised salaries for both its sterling and dollar paid servants which would bring the cost of the revision within the surplus left from the grant after balancing the budget and leave a reasonable margin for eventualities.

(d) The grant to be subject to revision annually in the light of the exchange conditions then prevailing.

(e) The increased grant not to be conditional on reimbursement from Boxer Indemnity funds.

Approval has now been received and a formal vote for \$300,000 is now requested.

SHANGHAI PHONE DEAL.

MUTUAL TELEPHONE CO. NOW BOUGHT OUT.

Shanghai, Aug. 6.

The Director-General of the Shanghai Municipal Council, Mr. S. Fessenden, the French Consul General, M. Koechlin, and Mr. Gill, vice-President of the International Telegraph and Telephone Corporation, yesterday signed the new forty-year telephone franchise.

Afterwards Mr. Gill and two directors of the Telephone Company signed a sale contract under which the Mutual Telephone Co. is bought out on a basis of seventy-five taels per share.—Reuter.

RATIONALISATION IN ENGLAND.

POWERFUL CONCERNS FORMED IN LANCASHIRE.

London, Aug. 5.

A closer working arrangement between a number of prominent steel, iron and coal concerns is effected through the formation of two closely allied concerns, the Lancashire Steel Corporation Limited and the Wigan Coal Corporation Limited. The former has a capital of £5,750,000 and the latter of £1,750,000.—Reuter.

COMMUNIST PLOT IN HAVANA.

CHINESE AMONG DEPORTED FOREIGNERS.

Havana, Aug. 5.
Seventy people have been arrested here in connexion with a Communist plot to overthrow the Government. Several foreigners, including Chinese and Spaniards, are being deported.—Reuter's American Service.

FAIR WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that the position of the Guam typhoon is uncertain. A shallow depression covers China. The local forecast is—S.E. or variable winds, light; fair.

Leaders of the rival groups of the Congress Party and Mr. Sen Gupta's followers sealed a wall and entered the Chamber where they carried out a noisy demonstration. A shoe was thrown at the Deputy Mayor who is a member of the Bose group, and the meeting had finally to be adjourned.—Reuter.

CHANGSHA CITY RECAPTURED.

SEVERE BATTLE IN THE SUBURBS.

GENERAL HO CHIEN ACCUSED OF INEFFICIENCY.

TAYEH RETAKEN.

Shanghai, Aug. 6.
Foreign sources confirm the recapture of Changsha city from the Communists by the Nationalist troops. Firing still continues on the outskirts.—Reuter.

Nanking, Aug. 6.
With the recapture of Changsha the question with regard to the proposed reorganisation of the Hunan Provincial Government is now being discussed.

Great dissatisfaction is felt at General Ho Chien's mishandling of the military affairs of the Province and natives of Hunan residing in the capital, including Tan Yen-kai, the acting Chairman of the Nationalist Government, have petitioned the Central Government to remove and punish him.—Reuter.

Report of Dismissal.

Nanking, Aug. 5.
Following a strong protest from the Hunan Bankers' Association in Nanking, complaining of the inefficiency of General Ho Chien who led before the entry of the Communists into Changsha, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has decided to dismiss General Ho.

However, reports say that General Ho Chien was defeated by the Communists on Monday and with the assistance of two Nanking gunboats he organised a second offensive yesterday evening, shelling the city with heavy artillery from the other side of the river.

Communist Retreat.

In an official dispatch to Nanking, General Ho Chien claims that his vanguard had a severe fight with the Communists in the northern suburbs of Changsha shortly before noon, in which he inflicted a severe defeat on the bandits.

Meanwhile, another Hunan Divisional Commander, General Liu Kin-shui, was assailing the city from the southern side, and wrought havoc on the Communist defenders.

An organised retreat was later made by Pang Tak-wai, the "Red" leader, towards the south-east of Changsha.

The Japanese Consul-General and some twenty Japanese residents from Changsha were among those on board the Japanese gunboats anchored in the river and yesterday they witnessed the Nanking attack on the Communists.

Mines Jeopardised.

The Japanese Government is perturbed by the news concerning the occupation by Communist bandits of Tayeh, near Hankow, the famous coal and iron mining district. The Japanese Government is ready to protest to the Chinese Government in the event of the Japanese mining companies in Tayeh being endangered or molested by the Communists, who may hinder the shipment of mining ores to Japan.

For two days the Communists have indulged in orgies of looting and incendiarism in Tayeh, causing serious damage to the telegraph wires and the railway track between Tayeh and Hwangshih-kwang.

Tayeh Recaptured.

Hankow Government officials were indignant when they heard of the Communist outrages near the city and a Chinese gunboat, the Jeh Hai, was dispatched to Tayeh with Government forces to recapture the mining district.

It is learned that the Government troops have since recaptured the city, defeating the Communists. Communication on the railway between Tayeh and Hwangshih-kwang has been resumed.

Five Nanking gunboats have arrived on the Yangtze River for patrol duty on account of the prevailing Communist troubles. (Continued on Page 8.)

U.S. INTEREST IN S. CHINA.

TRADE COMMISSIONER FOR HONGKONG.

APPOINTMENT MADE.

A new step by the United States Government is indicated by the decision to open a Trade Commissioner's Office in Hongkong under the Department of Commerce. Mr. Granville Woodward has been selected as the Commissioner, and he is already in Hongkong.

For the present, the Commissioner will be temporarily accommodated at the United States Consulate, but it is hoped to open offices in the city about October 1st, when Mr. Woodward will have an assistant assigned to him. As yet, the location of the office has not been decided.

The office will function for South China generally, including Canton, Swatow, Amoy and most of the Kwangsi ports.

The move is an innovation, as the United States has never before had a Trade Commissioner in Hongkong, although it has been represented in this manner at Shanghai, Tientsin and Mukden.

Mr. Woodward was for three years United States Vice-Consul at Tientsin, and for the past three years has been Trade Commissioner at Shanghai, from which post he has now been transferred to Hongkong.

KING TAKES PART IN YATCH RACE.

FIRST OCCASION SINCE HIS ILLNESS.

London, Aug. 5.

H.M. the King, accompanied by Admiral Earl Jellicoe, took part at Cowes to-day in his first yatch race since his illness.

It had been arranged that in the event of the weather breaking, the King would return to his steam yacht Victoria and Albert by a mine-sweeper sloop which was in attendance upon his racing cutter, the Britannia.

Some strong squalls were encountered and there were constant showers during the race but the King sailed to a finish.

The Britannia finished second, but on time allowance was placed fourth.

Sixteen yachts competed in the race for the King's Cup, which was won by Mr. Gretton's Caraid.—British Wireless.

NEW DIRECTOR OF PROHIBITION.

PREVENTIVE SERVICE BEING REORGANISED.

New York, Aug. 5.

Mr. Amos Woodcock embarked on his new duties as director of prohibition with an earnest direct appeal to the people which was broadcast throughout the country. He asked citizens of the United States to give their help and sympathy and to "contribute to the ideal of a law abiding nation."

Mr. Woodcock, however, is reorganising the preventive service and is enrolling a better class of men with a view to building up "the best trained body of detectives in the world."—Reuter's American Service.

EMPIRE GAMES IN CANADA.

LORD BURGHLEY CAPTAINS ENGLISH TEAM.

London, Aug. 5.

Forty-six English athletes captained by Lord Burghley left Southampton to-day for Canada to participate in the Empire Games which begin at Hamilton on August 16.—Reuter.

LORD BIRKENHEAD.

SERIOUSLY ILL WITH PNEUMONIA.

London, Aug. 5.

Lord Birkenhead, formerly Lord High Chancellor and Secretary of State for India, is lying seriously ill with bronchial pneumonia.—Reuter.

Lord Birkenhead's condition has slightly improved.—Reuter.

PENANG RACING SEQUEL.

LABEL IN LETTER TO NEWSPAPER.

JUDGE AWARDED \$5,000 AS DAMAGES.

INTERESTING CASE.

Penang, July 29.

In the Supreme Court to-day, Mr. Justice Sproule awarded \$5,000 damages and costs on a higher scale against the *Pinang Gazette* to Major E. C. Doyle, official judge of the S.R.A. Many prominent racing men were in Court when the case began.

Mr. J. J. Saunders was for the plaintiff and the Hon. Mr. Simpson for the defendants.

The statement of claim said that defendants were the proprietors of the *Pinang Gazette*, a newspaper with a large circulation in Malaya and elsewhere. The plaintiff was a retired Major, a D.S.O., and a judge appointed by the S.R.A.

The Offending Paragraph.

In the issue of the paper dated Jan. 13, 1930, defendants published a letter from an anonymous correspondent calling himself "Clean Sport," the last paragraph of which said "it may also be suggested that we should not have a judge who is employed and paid directly by owners and trainers. This is no reflection on the probity of the present judge, but his decisions have already been doubted on this score and a judge, of all people, should be above suspicion based on financial considerations. The remedy is either to remove the judge or the financial consideration."

It was claimed that the paragraph was falsely and maliciously printed and published, and that the words meant and were understood to mean that the plaintiff was a judge employed and paid directly by owners and trainers of horses running in race meetings; that his decisions were not accurate or honest, but biased; that they were given in the interests of owners and trainers; that inaccuracies, dishonest and unfair decisions had been called into question; that unless the financial considerations were removed he was incapable of being an honest judge; that his decisions were influenced by financial considerations and that he was an unfair judge and not fitted to act as a judge at the said race meetings.

Defence Denials.

The statement of defence said the letter from "Clean Sport" did not mean and was not understood to mean what was alleged in the statement of claim, and defendants denied the allegations in the said paragraph. The words had reference to plaintiff in his dual capacity as judge and veterinary surgeon, and was understood to mean that it was unsatisfactory in principle that the plaintiff, who was the judge, should be in direct financial relationship with the owners and trainers. It was not suggested that plaintiff's decisions as a judge were biased, inaccurate, dishonest or given in the interests of the owners and trainers. On the contrary it was directly stated that there was no reflection on the plaintiff's probity. The defendants denied the allegations of injury and damage. The words complained of were fair comment, made in good faith and a matter of public interest. The defendants, while denying any liability, had brought \$1,000 into court, and said that sum was enough to satisfy plaintiff's claim.

Mr. Saunders contended that whether the original copies had gone to England or not, the weekly edition had, and the plaintiff's reputation had suffered very considerable damage at home. The defence said the letter was fair comment. It was not comment at all. The allegations were definite allegations of fact. The defendant's attitude was difficult to understand. They had not attempted to justify the words, and had not attempted to apologise, but while denying any claim against them they brought the sum of \$1,000 into court and offered no apology for all the damage done. (Continued on Page 8.)

KOWLOON GROWTH SHOWN.

NUMEROUS APPLICATIONS FOR WATER METERS.

VOTE IN COUNCIL.

At its meeting on Thursday, the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council will be asked to approve a supplementary vote of \$25,000 in connexion with water services on the Peninsula.

The vote is requested for the provision of approximately 500 additional water meters as numerous applications for new metered services are being received on account of the rapid development of the Peninsula.

It is explained that the vote is a revenue-producing one, and figures for the last three years are given to demonstrate this.

The revenue during the first quarter of 1928 was \$43,646. This increased to \$60,880 during the second three months of the year and to \$74,795 in July, August and September. The revenue for the last quarter of 1928 was \$68,862.

Last year the first quarter resulted in a revenue of \$65,993 and in the second quarter of \$64,556. There was then a very big increase to \$78,537 and a further one in the last three months of the year to \$85,343. The revenue during the first quarter of this year was \$67,120 and that for April, May and June approximately \$80,000.

SERIOUS DROUGHT IN AMERICA.

COUNTRY'S MILK SUPPLY THREATENED.

New York, Aug. 5.

"Nature seems to be solving the problem of the grain surplus." This remark, made by a member of the Farm Board, indicates the only bright spot on the record of the drought which is almost general throughout the country.

Farmers in the grain States have begun to feed wheat to their pigs and cut it for hay as the grass is scorched up.

Grain brokers estimate the loss on the corn crop in July at four hundred million bushels. A rough estimate of the total losses due to the drought is \$500,000,000.

The country's milk supply is also threatened. Children in the middle west corn belt are subsisting on the most meagre diet. Cows are not giving milk owing to the lack of pasturage.—Reuter's American Service.

PREMIER RETURNS TO LONDON.

TO FLY TO LOSSIEMOUTH TO-DAY.

London, Aug. 5.

The Prime Minister returned to London this afternoon from Oberammergau, where he witnessed the Passion Play during the weekend. He will leave for Lossiemouth, Scotland, to-morrow, travelling by air if the weather permits.—British Wireless.

SHANGHAI POSTAL TROUBLE.

WORKERS GET LOW SILVER ALLOWANCE.

Shanghai, Aug. 6.

The Post Office trouble has been settled provisionally, all the employees being granted two dollars a month "low silver allowance." Consideration of some of the other demands has been promised.—Reuter.

"SHANGHAI MERCURY."

BEING ABSORBED BY THE "EVENING POST."

Shanghai, Aug. 6.

It is announced that the *Shanghai Evening Post* is absorbing the *Shanghai Mercury*. There will now be only one evening newspaper in Shanghai.—Reuter.

FINE BOWLING BY PEEBLES.

TAKES FIVE WICKETS FOR EIGHT RUNS.

HAMMOND AND TYLDESLEY GET CENTURIES.

GLOUCESTER'S WIN.

London, Aug. 5.

An outstanding performance in the County cricket matches which ended to-day was that of Peebles, the Middlesex bowler, who took five wickets for only eight runs in the match with Sussex. Only two centuries were made in the matches, many of which were interrupted by rain. In several cases the games had to be abandoned.

Results in Brief.

Leicester won on the first innings against Northants at Northampton. The match at Birmingham between Warwick and Derbyshire was abandoned.

Gloucester beat Somerset at Clifton by nine wickets. Kent won on the first innings against Hampshire at Canterbury. Lancashire won on the first innings v. Yorkshire at Manchester.

Essex won on the first innings against Worcester at Worcester. Middlesex beat Sussex by nine wickets at Brighton. The Surrey v. Notts. match at The Oval was abandoned.

The Honours List.

The following are the principal batting and bowling performances during the matches which ended to-day:

Batting.

E. Tyldesley (Lancs.) 107
Hammond (Gloucester) 100
* Not out.

Bowling.

Peebles (Middlesex) 5 for 8
Parker (Gloucester) 7 for 44
and 6 for 29
Geary (Leicester) 6 for 21
Allen (Middlesex) 5 for 21
Langridge (Sussex) 6 for 60
Peach (Surrey) 5 for 70
Jupp (Northants) 5 for 69
Young (Somerset) 5 for 61
Kennedy (Hampshire) 6 for 60
MacDonald (Lancashire) 7 for 68

Glamorgan v. Australians.

Glamorgan nearly had the satisfaction of beating the Australians and probably would have done if the time factor had not intervened. Australia made 245 in their first innings and dismissed Glamorgan for only 99. The tourists declared at 71 for one wicket in their second innings. Glamorgan, however, found their batting form and had made 197 for seven wickets when the game ended. Another twenty-one runs would have given them the match. Bates made 73 and Turnbull 62. Grimmett took four wickets for 69 runs.

Leicester v. Northants.

Play was curtailed in the match at Northampton when the home team batted first to make 114. The batsmen found Glam difficult to play and he took six wickets for only 85 runs. Leicester went in to make 170. Kupp took five for 69. The match ended with Northants. batting again, the final score being 61 for one wicket.

Warwick v. Derbyshire.

Rain at Birmingham permitted little play in this match which was abandoned with Warwick's score at 70 for two wickets.

Gloucester v. Somerset.

Fine bowling by Parker was a feature of the match at Clifton where Gloucester had a very comfortable victory. Somerset went to the wicket first but the side was sent back for the modest total of 123. Parker being in fine form with the ball and taking seven of the wickets for 44. Hammond, however, was the only Gloucester batsman to make a stand and he compiled well over half the team's total. He carried his bat for just a hundred, the side being dismissed for 181. Young took half the wickets for 51. Batting again, Somerset made an even worse showing than in their first innings. With Parker still at the top of this form the team was sent back for 82. Parker (Continued on Page 8.)

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BANQUET AND RECEPTION ON
EMPERESS OF JAPAN.

GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.

The s.s. Empress of Japan, the magnificent new vessel of the Canadian Pacific Steamships which can truly claim right to the title of the "Pride of the Pacific," held the admiring interest of nearly three hundred of Hongkong's leading business, professional, legal and official representatives last night, when, at the invitation of the Company, they attended an inaugural dinner on the occasion of the liner's maiden voyage from this port.

The dinner was succeeded by speeches, during which a retrospective review of the progress of the Company was made, and the toast of the ship and its company was given by His Excellency the Governor.

Capt. S. Robinson, C.B.E., presided over the gathering, and with him were H.E. the Governor (Sir William Peel), Mr. Allan Cameron, H.E. the General Officer Commanding (Major-General Sandilands), Rear-Admiral R.A.S. Hill, Sir Joseph Kemp, Sir Shouson Chow, and the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax. Others present included members of the Legislative Council, Government Officials, representatives of the Legal profession, the Magistrates, the Consuls, the Navy, Army, newspapers, and commerce.

A Welcome.

Mr. Allan Cameron, after giving the loyal toast, said that it was with much pleasure that he welcomed, on behalf of the Canadian Pacific, those present on board the Empress of Japan, the latest addition to their fleet and the largest and fastest ship plying regularly on the Pacific Ocean.

He viewed their presence that evening as an indication of appreciation of the Company's efforts to serve in the carrying of passengers and cargo, and he was, therefore, grateful to them for assisting in the inauguration of that good ship in the trans-Pacific service.

When the dinner was conceived, it was found that the seating accommodation was not sufficient to enable them to have the ladies present, and it was with regret that they were not there. As it was, the seating accommodation had compelled them to restrict the invitations to the limit.

In the first place, the illustrated supplements that appeared in several of Hongkong's newspapers last week robbed him of practically all of his thunder, and he therefore left all figures regarding tonnage, engine power, dimensions etc., with the supplements and other publications; but would say that they had, in that ship, the last word in furnishing and appliances for safety and comfort. The portion of the ship that the passengers did not see much, if any, of, was the engine room, the most important part of the ship—there also the latest had been installed, and the speed was all that was to be desired, namely 23 knots.

Depressed Trade.

In building a ship of that class, the Company had indicated their confidence in the trans-Pacific trade. He did not need to dwell on the depressed trade conditions both for the shipping companies and for the business men, that exist out here to-day. They viewed that as being only temporary, or a "growing pain" in the general development, which they hoped would not last long.

The company had endeavored to keep step with the conditions and the requirements of the trans-Pacific ever since their first steamers. The first steamers they built viz: the Empress of

Japan, Empress of India and Empress of China had a gross registered tonnage of 6,000 tons. Their next new additions to the fleet, the Empress of Russia and Empress of Asia were 16,000 tons. The latest addition to the fleet, the new Empress of Japan was 26,000 tons gross register. The steps were thus taken at the rate of 10,000 tons increase per step.

Early Days.

Referring to his own associations with the Canadian Pacific, Mr. Cameron said that he joined the Canadian Pacific in the early summer of 1883. It was during that summer that the railway was being constructed westward on the prairies at the average rate of 3½ miles per day—a record in railroad construction that had not since been equalled. The prairies were then unsettled, and all material had to be transported many miles.

It was conceived as a political road, and brought British Columbia into the confederation, and had grown to be one of the largest private owned companies. That success was due to the courage, ability and integrity of its executives. These men had recognised not only their duty to their shareholders and their employees, but also to Canada and the Empire (Applause).

When the Canadian Pacific construction commenced there were not more than ten small hamlets between the Ottawa Valley in the East and the Pacific Tidewaters in the West, a distance of nearly 3,000 miles. It was a dull outlook for traffic for a struggling railway company to face. By reason of it being a pioneer railway in a new country, it therefore necessarily embarked in subsidiary enterprises to encourage traffic and settlements. Their first great effort was the settling of the Government free land on the prairies and then their own lands adjacent to the railway. The result was that it became a great colonization, land and town site company.

Irrigation Project.

They built one of the largest irrigation projects on the American continent, the object of which was to enable settlers to make farms on from 40 to 80 acres of land, under an intensive farming system, and closer settlement conditions. Otherwise the land would have been occupied under dry farm conditions, namely, a settler to every one or two square miles. To convey some idea of the size of that project, he need only remark that they had to dig nearly 6,000 miles of ditches.

Another subsidiary company was the Hotel company. There being no capital available in the growing towns in the West for the construction of a suitable hotel, the company entered that field, first in Vancouver, then in the mountains, and from that it had grown to be the largest hotel company in the world. Their President, Mr. Beatty, announced recently that the company would build a hotel in London, the site and the character of which had not yet been stated.

The Steamships.

The subsidiary enterprise, however, in which the immediate interest lies, is the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd. That also was entered into to feed the railway company. It started with sailing ships and chartered vessels, and thence to the "White Empresses" and from that has grown to be the largest Canadian steamship company, with services on the Atlantic and Pacific, coastal services on both Pacific and Atlantic coasts, and lake and river steamers in their interior waterways. Within the last few years the Company had spent nearly 20 million pounds in steamship construction (Applause).

The Empress of Japan, the first of the three original steamships built by the company, was broken up a few years ago after having given good service to the company and the public for 30 years; may her mantle of service and efficiency fall upon this successor to her name (hear, hear).

Mention was made by Mr. Cameron, that Capt. A. J. Holland (Staff-Captain) and Dr. Donaldson made a trip around the world in

58 days, 13 hours and 7 minutes on the ships and rails of the Company, the statement being greeted with cheers.

Once again he extended to their Excellencies and others present, on behalf of the company and himself, a welcome aboard, not only that evening, but in the hope that they might have the pleasure of seeing them aboard often.

AN EMPIRE ASSET.

Speech of H.E. the Governor.

His Excellency the Governor said:

I rise to propose the toast of the Empress of Japan and the ship's company. I have had a hint that I must be brief and I accept that suggestion with readiness and I assure you that I will faithfully abide by it. I congratulate the Canadian Pacific on having built such a magnificent ship and on sending her out to these waters. She is entirely in accord with the tradition of that great company, a company which we all recognise as one of the big assets of the British Empire. (Hear, hear and applause). It is a company which operates a transport service with communications over, I understand, two thirds of the circumference of the earth.

Kipling has written of the liner "she's a lady by the paint upon her face." Canadian Pacific have raised their liners to the status of Empresses and I am sure you will all agree that they are entirely justified as their liners are truly regal.

I suppose as a landman I have suffered my full share of a long sea voyage. In addition to crossing the Atlantic and going to Australia in my early days, I have travelled from Malaya to England fifteen times and I felt that each voyage was more dreary than the last one. Even as a youth I never attained that proverbial boardship flirtation and in my later years I merely ate and drank and read and slept. I have come to the conclusion that one of the brighter sides of retirement of a public servant was that I should not go for any more long sea voyages. I feel however, that I must re-construct my idea as I feel that no passenger can find a voyage on a ship like this in any way dreary. Its table as you have seen to night is excellent; its accommodation magnificent; its furnishing leaves nothing to be desired and offers every form of exercise that you can imagine and in fact it provides for every luxury that is necessary for the comfort of its passengers. A week or two ago, I happened to see a picture in Punch of two sailors discussing a modern liner. One of the sailors was saying that in a year or two no person will travel on board a liner unless they had a cathedral and a dirt-track on board. (Laughter).

My own experience of the Canadian Pacific is restricted to a voyage on their rail at Montreal some twenty years ago and I look forward on my next leave to increasing my acquaintance with the Company by travelling on one of its ships and I hope it will fall to my lot to strike the Empress of Japan.

On behalf of the guests, I thank the Captain and his fellow officers for their hospitality and ask you to drink to their health and success. (Applause).

Captain's Reminiscences.

Captain S. Robinson, C.B.E., R.D., R.N.L., addressing the gathering said: It is very difficult for me in an assembly like this to know what to say. I joined the old Empress of Japan in 1894 and I see scattered around the various tables to-night numerous faces of friends that I have known since that time. My main object in addressing you of course is to say how pleased I am to see you all here and particularly to thank your Excellency for your kind interest in coming here to this inaugural dinner.

I thought, as I was coming out what the various ships that we

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**CREME A LA
PORTUGAISE**

INGREDIENTS.—2 oz. ground rice, ½ pint milk, a little vanilla essence, 1 oz. sugar, 2 oz. preserved ginger, a few glace cherries, 11¼ oz. tin Nestle's Pure Thick Cream.

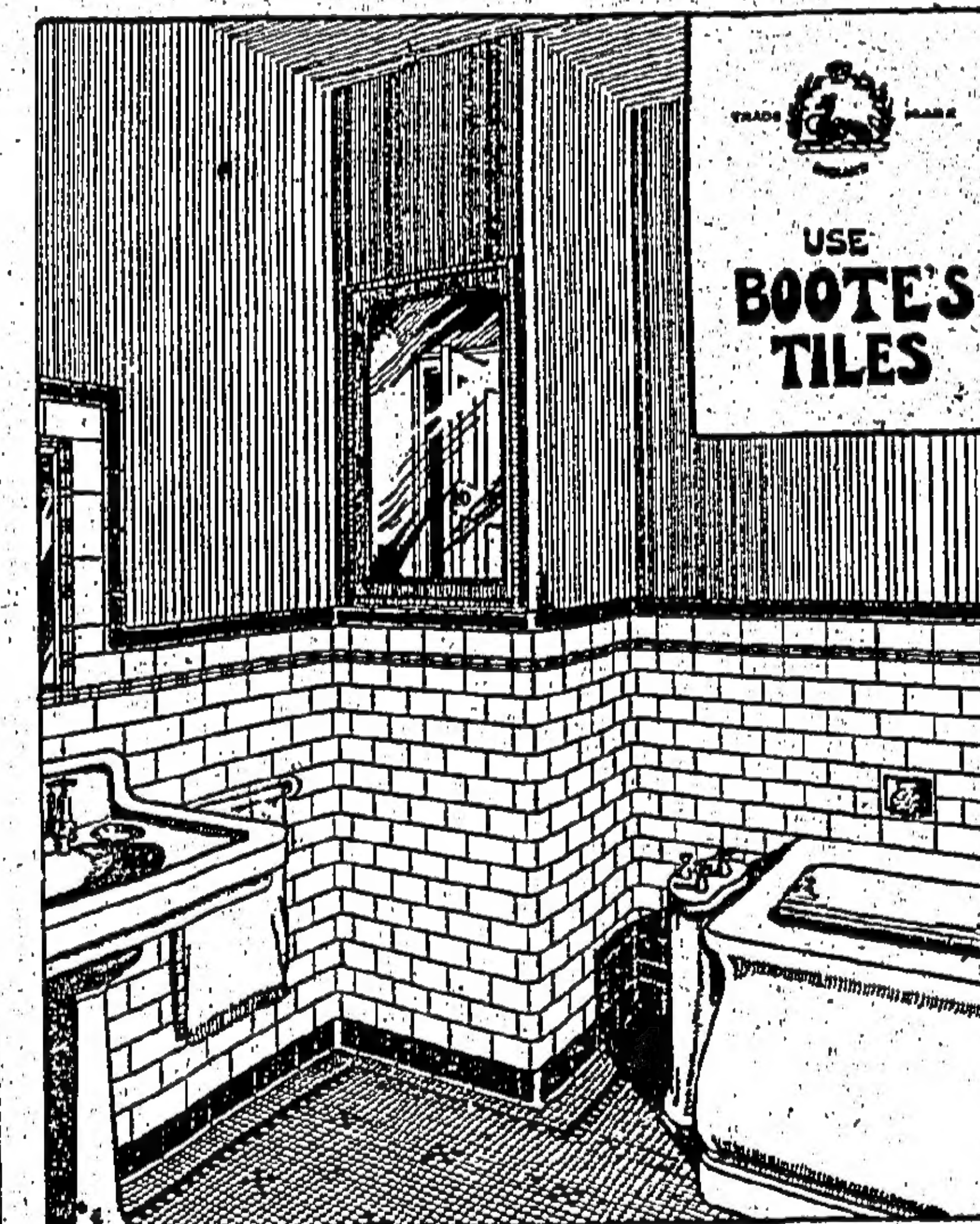
METHOD.—Put the milk into a pan with the sugar and ground rice, and stir until boiling, and cook it well for a few minutes. Add the ginger and cherries, and pour when cool into a glass dish. Whisk the cream with a little sugar and 2 teaspoonfuls ginger syrup. Decorate the dish with the cream, whipped, put through a fancy forcer, and a few cherries and ginger on the top.

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Map shows voyages of the Southern Cross. 1. Kingsford Smith at Honolulu. 2. The crowd at Suva. 3. Flyers parents watch arrival at Sydney. 4. Where the plane was forced down in Australia. 5. Kingsford Smith addressing a gathering at Sydney. 6. Arrival in London with O. T. Ulm.

Tennis Wear

You have to dress cleanly and well to enjoy tennis and its social opportunities. Yet you need not dress expensively. Good flannels and blazers, scarves and sweaters can be obtained without undue outlay—and this we are well prepared to demonstrate. Our prices indicate the reasonableness that can be exercised in your purchases without sacrifice of quality.



Mackintosh's

Jeeves!

Sir?

What about Beer Jeeves?

I was about to place another order Sir?

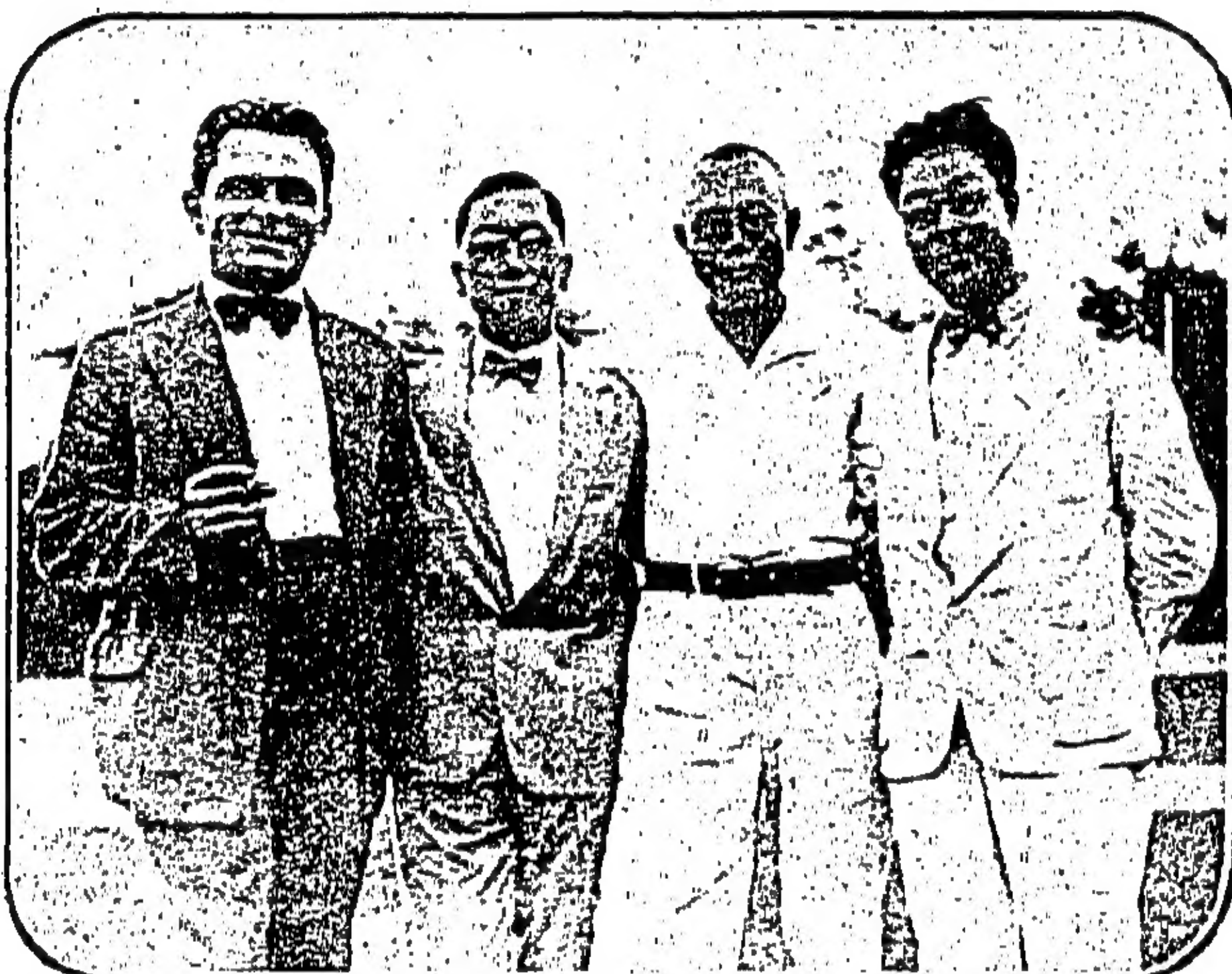
What about this New Brand Jeeves, are we on or are we not?

I venture to suggest that you stick to

"STAGS HEAD" Sir?

Right-o Jeeves go to it!

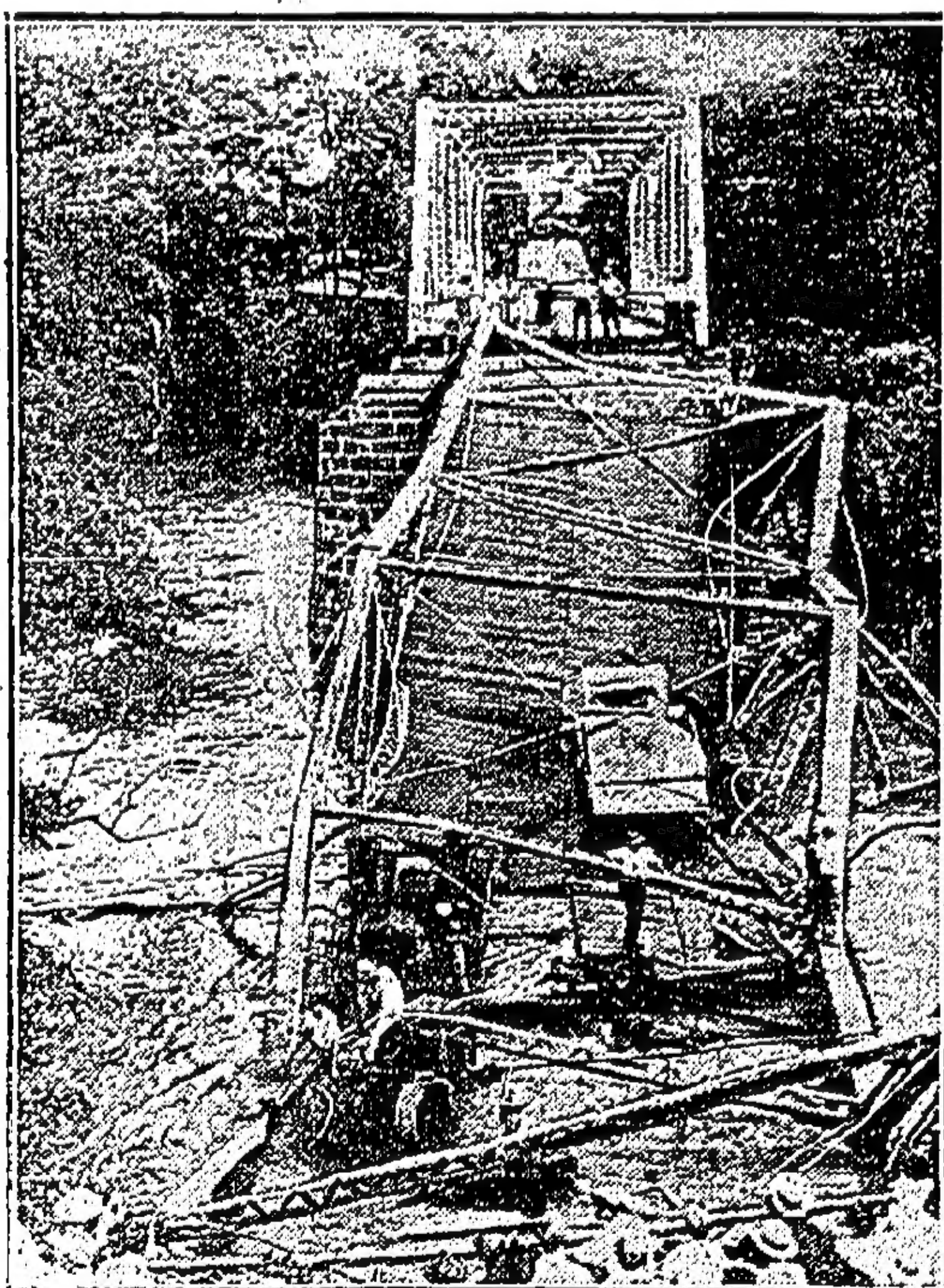
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Dr. Berislav Borcic, expert of the Health Organization of the League of Nations, with Mr. Yinson Lee, Dr. Wu Lien-teh, Director of the National Quarantine Service, and Dr. Tsai Hung, of the Ministry of Health.



Mrs. Tuck Yee and the Misses Ruth and Rachel Yap, visitors from Honolulu, with Mrs. Berislav Borcic, wife of Dr. Borcic, of the League of Nations Health Organization, photographed at Shanghai.



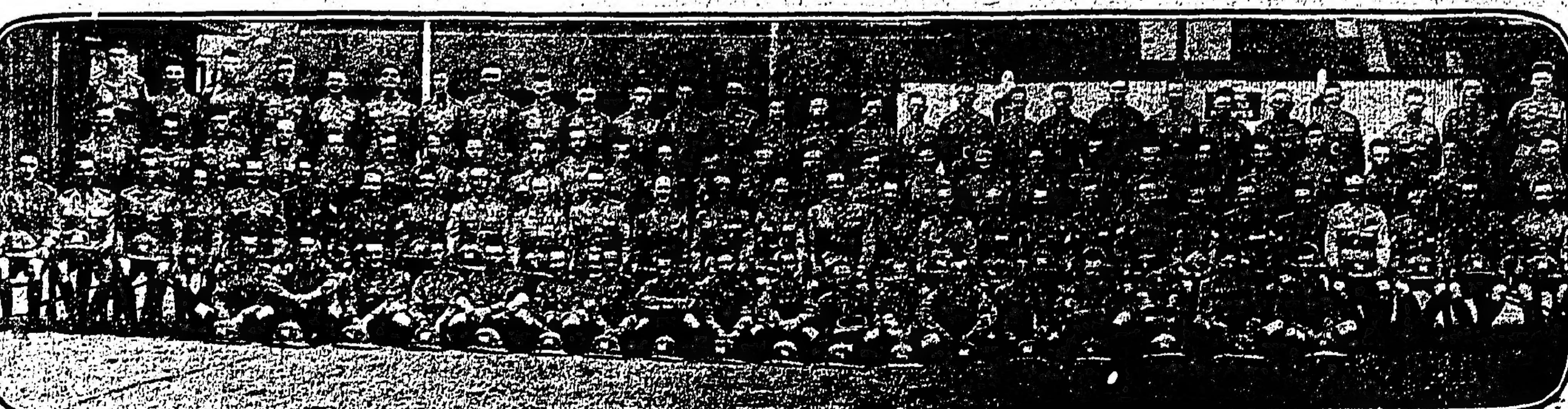
Three men were killed and six hurt when this steel bridge over the Monocacy river on the Washington highway near Frederick, Md., collapsed and hurled workmen and trucks into the swollen waters.



S. Parker Gilbert, agent general for reparations payments being made by Germany to the allies and Mrs. Gilbert are pictured here as they returned to the United States.



After clipping 26 minutes off the former westbound transcontinental flight record, Lieut. Col. Roscoe Turner is shown being greeted by his wife at Glendale, Cal. Turner made the flight in 18 hours 43 minutes 34 seconds. The lion cub was his only passenger.



No. 12 Mechanical Transport Co. of the Royal Army Service Corps, photographed at their camp in Great Western Road, Shanghai.

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STARTLING
BARGAINS
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AT
WHITEAWAYS**

TO-DAY'S WANTS.

25 WORDS\$1.00.
(11.50 if Not Prepaid.)

The following replies have been received:—
544, 545, 547, 550, 555, 556, 593.
595, 598, 618, 634, 638, 639, 642,
650, 667, 671, 678, 683, 685, 691.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

BRITISHER seeks POSITION in any capacity anywhere. Please communicate with Box No. 700, "Hongkong Telegraph."

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FURNISHED FLAT wanted (small) Kowloon or mid-levels. Particulars to Box No. 694, "Hongkong Telegraph."

FURNISHED FLAT wanted by three bachelors. Convenient situation, moderate rental. Write stating full particulars to Box No. 695, "Hongkong Telegraph."

LOST.

LOST.—Between Post Office and Blake Pier, a bunch of 4 KEYS, at about 6 p.m. 30th July, reward on returning to "Hongkong Telegraph."

GOLD CHAIN BRACELET between Royal Naval Hospital, Wanchai and General Post Office (on Saturday August 2nd) Reward on returning to "Hongkong Telegraph."

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NOTICE.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 11th day of August, 1930, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at junction of Embankment Road and Duke Street, Kowloon in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
Lot No. 2373.	Kowloon (land at junction of Embankment Road and Duke Street, Kowloon).	14 feet 6 inches by 14 feet 6 inches	14,760	\$102	\$7,316.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO., LTD.

And
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

Consignees per Company's Vessel, "LYCAON"

From UNITED KINGDOM via SINGAPORE.

are hereby notified that their cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf Kowloon, where it will lie at Consignees' risk and subject to terms and conditions of storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 6th August. Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends. All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th August, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 25th August, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 5th August, 1930.

New Advertisements

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of 40 cents per Share has been declared payable on WEDNESDAY, 27th AUGUST next, on and after which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained upon application at the Registered Office of the Company, Canal Road East, Bowrington, Hongkong.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 13th AUGUST, to TUESDAY, 26th AUGUST, 1930, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 5th August, 1930.

HOLY GHOST SCHOOL.

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Boarders received.
94, Pak Mai Hong, Canton, near Cathedral.

NOTICE.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE COMPANY LIMITED.

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By Order of the Board of Directors.
D. L. KING,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 17th July, 1930.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

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A Valuable Collection of Postage Stamps

include a fine specimen of Hongkong Jubilee Tall K etc. etc.

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One of the new "Royal Scot" trains, which introduce a number of original features in railway travel in England was inspected at Euston by Sir Josiah Stamp, President of the L.M.S. Railway. A special feature of the train is the greater height and depth of the windows. Ventilation without draught has received special attention, and each compartment is equipped with a novel ventilator, specially designed to eliminate smuts, controlled from the window-sill. The accommodation is of two types, family compartments designed for four passengers only, and decorated in Jacobean, Chippendale, and other styles, and vestibule cars of the American type. In addition, there is a first-class smoking-car equipped with movable arm-chairs. The new coaches are built almost entirely of steel, thus rendering them stronger and more fire-proof.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$1515 n.
Chartered Bank, \$174 n.
Mercantile A. & B., \$231 n.
East Asia \$121 n.

Insurance.
Canton Ins., \$945 n.
Union Ins., \$437 b.
North China Ins., Tls. 160 b.
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.
China Underwriters, \$2.65 b.
China Fire, \$400 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$960 b.

Shipping.
Douglases, \$26 b.
H. K. Steamboats, \$25 s.
Indo-Chinas, (Def.) \$43 n.
Union Waterboats \$32 n.

Mining.
Benguets, \$81 n.
Kallans, \$1/3 n.
Langkats, Tls. 81 n.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 1.30 b.
Rauba, \$24 b.
Troncha, 21/- n.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$170 s.
Whampoa Docks, \$39 b.
China Providents \$5.10 b.
Hongkows, Tls. 260 b.
New Engineering, Tls. 74 n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 117 b.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. \$1.30 s.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 78 (old) n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$11. s.
H. K. Lands, \$84 s.
Shai Lands Tls. 287 n.
Humphreys, \$15.50 n.
Realties, \$8.90 ss.
Chinese Estates \$87 n.

Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$19 s.
Peak Trams (old) \$124 s.
Star Ferries, \$86 n.
China Lights, (Old) \$251 s.
H. K. Electric, \$773 s.
Macao Electric, \$23 b.
Telephones \$32 b.
China Buses, Tls. 184 b.
Singapore Traction, 10/- s.

Industrials.
China Sugars, \$1. s.
Malsabons, \$27 n.
Cald. Macg. Ord. Tls. 10.75 n.
Caston Ices, \$2.50 n.
Cements (Comb.) \$18.30 s.
Ropes \$11. b.
United Asbestos \$5 b.

Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, \$25.30 s.
Watsons, \$124 n.
Der A. Wings, \$1 b.
Lane Crawfords, \$3. n.
Mackintoshes, \$181 b.
Sinceres, \$11.30 n.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$26 n.
Constructions, \$1.90 b.
B'que Ind. G. Bonds, 61% n.
H.K.G. Loan 8% Prem.

BANDIT BRUTALITY.

LADY MISSIONARY LOSES A FINGER.

Shanghai, Aug. 5. In a message from Peking it is stated that the Communist bandits who are holding Miss Nettleton and Miss Harrison, two missionaries in Fukien, have cut off one of Miss Nettleton's fingers and sent it to the authorities demanding \$50,000 ransom for the release of the captives.

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RADIO NOTICES.

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Destination	Rate of Postage
Places in the Colony	3 cents for each oz. or part of an oz.
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Foreign Countries generally	14 cents for the first oz. and 8 cents for each additional oz. or part of an oz.

The special rate of 2 cents per 4 ozs. on newspapers published in the Colony and addressed to Hongkong, United Kingdom, British Possessions and Protectorates, China and Macao has been abolished and the rate of 2 cents per 2 ozs. substituted therefor.

Circulars for addresses in the Colony or Wei Hai Wei, which are posted in batches of not less than ten of uniform size and weight, and which are posted by being delivered to an officer of the Post Office, are now charged postage at the rate of 2 cents for each 2 ozs. or part of 2 ozs. instead of 1 cent per 2 ozs. as heretofore.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Shanghai and Swatow	Soochow	August 7.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 12th July) and Europe via Siberia (London 19th July)	Shinyo Maru	August 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Aruma Maru	August 8.
Shanghai	Aldaramin	August 8.
Europe via Negapatam, (letters and papers, London 10th July)	Kashima Maru	August 9.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco 11th July)	Pres. Garfield	August 10.
Amoy, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. 24th July)	Tjileboet	August 10.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco 18th July)	Emp. of Asia	August 11.
Australia and Manila	Pres. Grant	August 11.
Sourabaya	Tanda	August 11.
	Tjibodas	August 12.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 8 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Formosa	Triumph	Wed., Aug. 6, 3 p.m.
*Straits, East Africa via Mombasa and South Africa via Lourenco Marques and South American Ports	Bingo Maru	Wed., Aug. 6, 3.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Wed., Aug. 6, 4 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Sunkong	Wed., Aug. 6, 5 p.m.
Salgon	Telemachus	Wed., Aug. 6, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B. C. and Europe via Siberia	Emp. of Japan	Thurs., Aug. 7.
	Parcels	Aug. 6, 5.00 p.m.
	Registration	Aug. 7, 9.15 a.m.
	Letters	Aug. 7, 10.00 a.m.
	(Due Vancouver, B.C., 22nd Aug.)	
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Menado Maru	Thurs., Aug. 7, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Aug. 7, 3 p.m.
Salgon	Shunchi	Thurs., Aug. 7, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Fri., Aug. 8, 2 p.m.
Shanghai	Tsinan	Fri., Aug. 8, 3.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Haruna Maru	Fri., August 8.
	Registration	Aug. 8, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters	Aug. 8, 4.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Registration	Aug. 8, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Aug. 8, 5 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles 7th September.)	
Tourane	Chung Kong	Fri., Aug. 8, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Kashima Maru	Sat., Aug. 9, 3.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Garfield	Sat., Aug. 9, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Antung	Sun., Aug. 10, 8.30 a.m.
Foochow and Weihaiwei via Swatow	Kueichow	Sun., Aug. 10, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Sun., Aug. 10, 9 a.m.
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Teian	Sun., Aug. 10, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu	Sun., Aug. 10, 9 a.m.
Java via Batavia	Tjileboet	Tues., Aug. 12, 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	D'Aragnan	Tues., Aug. 12.
	Registration	Aug. 12, 1 p.m.
	Letters	Aug. 12, 1 p.m.
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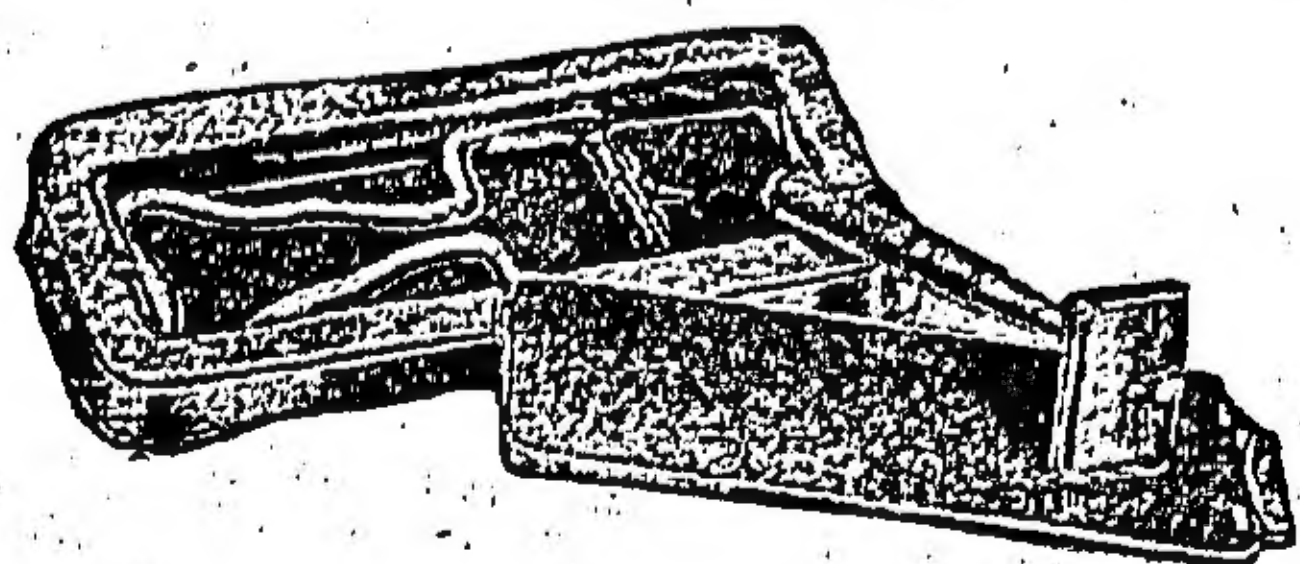
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MEN'S DRESS.

Not once, but often, have various suggestions been put forward in Hongkong for the adoption of some more comfortable form of dress for men in the summer-time than that now in general use. Those who feel that there is still plenty of room for improvement, will be interested to learn that even in England, where summer weather is altogether fickle and uncertain, a movement has sprung up along the same lines. In this connexion, we have just come across in a London paper a picture of one of the members of the Dress Reform Party walking through the Strand in the garb which that body advocates. Followed by a large crowd of curious people, he was the centre of much attraction, but the "reform" for which he stands would not arouse the slightest interest here in Hongkong, for the simple reason that any day of the week, in summer, dozens of men can be seen in precisely the same attire. This man was wearing merely a cream flannel shirt and white shorts, with a cardigan carried across his arm. Yet he appears to have been mobbed by the crowd, although it was admitted in the caption accompanying the picture that his dress was far more comfortable, if less conventional, than that of the people whose curiosity he aroused.

The interest which this dress reformer created at Home, and the fact that if he walked through the streets of this Colony similarly clad he would attract no notice whatever, shows that in all these matters it is convention which has to be overcome before any real progress can be made. In no matter more so than in that of dress is mankind so sensitive and susceptible to prevailing ideas. Comfort and even bodily health are made subservient to the thought that "it's not done." And so menfolk go on making martyrs of themselves in deference to the dictates of custom and usage. Women are often held up to ridicule by men for being the "slaves of fashion," but the evidence would appear to point in the other direction. We are not forgetting the absurd long skirt vogue which has succeeded in capturing the support of some of our womenfolk, but it is evident that this fashion is not likely to become at all popular; in Hongkong, for outdoor wear at least, it is practically spurned—for which we are duly

thankful. Men, however, still cling to their collars—and their collars to them!—to say nothing of other respects in which our clothing is unsuited to a hot climate.

Now and then, as when a Magistrate once set the example by wearing an open-neck shirt in Court, someone breaks with convention, but the fact remains that the bulk of the men of this Colony have not yet summed up sufficient courage to put comfort first in the matter of their dress. Occasionally one meets a business man whose attire represents some deviation from what it thought "the thing," but he is usually written down either as half-crazy or as almost beneath notice. We have made some progress, compared with other days, in the matter of evening dress, since it is now quite de rigueur to wear soft shirt and mess jacket in summer-time. Possibly, some day, distinctive dress for dinner or after-dinner functions will be ruled out during the hot season, and no-one will be offended if ordinary day suits are worn. In these matters, however, the break with tradition comes slowly, and we must be content with such changes as are naturally and voluntarily brought about. Organised efforts in such a sphere are more likely to retard than to advance the rate of progress.

Congress and India.

The only significance to be attached to the latest plans of Congress for intensifying the civil disobedience movement in India is that this dangerous body is fighting a losing battle. It has been apparent for some months now that civil disobedience as organised by Gandhi does not bring in its train the upheavals that the sponsors expected. It is true that the civil disobedience movement in India has assumed serious dimensions before. In its early days the situation was one of extreme gravity, but the weekly appreciations of the situation issued by the Government of India recently have shown it to be on the wane. If further evidence were needed, then there is the infrequency of serious disturbances as compared with a few months ago. Congress has grasped the fact that its power over the masses in India does not constitute a hold on the populace and it now seeks, by further boycotts and by more extensive flouting of law and authority, to again whip the extremists into a fury and so continue to menace the very future of the Indian Empire. But fortunately there are signs of a growing realisation among the Indian people that their aims are not likely to be achieved by the civil disobedience weapon. The Viceroy and other leaders of opinion have, in recent speeches, pointed out the utter folly of the movement. It is a weapon which eventually is turned on those who employ it. Bombay, where trade depression is at its lowest, offers a striking example. Congress can pass resolutions, make fanciful schemes for the overthrow of law and authority and attempt to justify civil disobedience by claiming that it will secure India's demands, but these activities will not now, however, sway the Indian people who have seen the results of the movement and realise that if it is continued their very existence is threatened. With this consideration spreading rapidly throughout the country Congress will indeed have to fight extremely hard to maintain its dying influence.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Aug 5.
Paris	123.84
Geneva	25.05 1/2
Berlin	20.38
Oslo	18.10 1/2
Helsingfors	18.3 1/2
Athens	26
Buenos Aires	40 1/2
Hongkong	1.7 3/4
New York	4.87 7/8
Amsterdam	12.09 1/2
Stockholm	18.10 1/2
Vienna	34.44
Madrid	43.85
Bucharest	1.818
Bombay	2/0.11 1/2
Yokohama	34.80 1/2
Brussels	92.08
Copenhagen	18.16 1/2
Prague	16.4 1/2
Lisbon	10.8 1/2
Rio	5.3/32
Shanghai	1.7/6 1/2
Silver (spot)	15.15/16
Silver (forward)	15 1/2

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY

TO DESPISE MONEY ON SOME OCCASIONS LEADS TO THE GREATEST GAIN.—Terence.

No public matters were discussed at the usual fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday. Business was confined to formal orders of the day.

Whilst working on board the Empress of Japan last night a coolie suddenly dropped dead. Death, according to the Port Officer of Health, was due to natural causes.

On the occasion of the anniversary of the German Constitution Day, the Consul will hold an official reception at his residence, 115, The Peak, on Monday, 11th inst., from 11.45 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Seen walking away with a pail of white paint which was being used by painters on the Empress of Japan, a Chinese was fined \$10 or fourteen days' hard labour by Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of stealing.

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts have just issued another edition of their handbook of stocks and shares of the principal public companies of the Colony. This gives comparative figures showing the position of the companies at the close of each financial year from 1925 to 1929, and will be found of much value by investors.

The Legislative Council is to meet on Thursday, when the Attorney General will move the second reading of an Ordinance to amend the Telephone Ordinance, 1925, and of an Ordinance to amend the Holidays Ordinance, 1912 at the same meeting, the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie will move the second reading of an Ordinance to provide for the incorporation of the Sailors' Home and Missions to Seamen.

Admitting a charge of larceny of a quantity of copper piping from on board the s.s. Dux, two coal coolies who were working on board were sentenced to six months' hard labour and four months' respectively by Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. The first defendant had a previous conviction for stealing in April last. The value of the piping was stated to have been \$400 new.

Among the passengers leaving on Monday by the s.s. Vogland for home were Mr. and Mrs. G. Bolsius. Mr. Bolsius is the Consul for Belgium in Hongkong and Manager of the Orient Tobacco Factory in Kowloon. During their five years stay in the Colony Mr. and Mrs. Bolsius made a large number of friends and the leading members of the local French community were on board to wish them bon voyage on their well merited holiday.

This Thrilling World

EXTRACTS FROM THE WORLD'S PRESS

DOUBTFUL VALUE.

L'Homme Libre (Paris):

It is proposed to dig an immense lake in the Sahara and to drain off part of the Mediterranean, and this might be easier because the Middle Sea is maintained only by the inflow of the Ocean, which could be arrested.

In this way, in a few years, magnificent vineyards, superb olive groves, immense fruit orchards, wheat fields and market gardens would spring into being. A seductive scheme!

But the Marseilles sardine would feel dry and war vessels would have to be mounted on wheels.

On the other hand, it would embarrass Mussolini, providing him with a reason for not building the battleships he is unable to pay for. The defeated Ocean, it is true, might inundate our coasts and so lose us in the West what we should gain in the East. The German author of the scheme has unfortunately not calculated whether the game would be worth the candle.

CAKLE BERRIES.

Australian Motorist (Melbourne):

The value of originality in advertising is well demonstrated at a wayside fruit stall on the main road between Somerville and Stony Point. The signboard:

Cackle Berries, 2/- per Dozen,

pulls up the speeding motorist with a jerk. Seventy out of every hundred stop and return to solve the mystery; thoughts of some new variety of luscious berry awaken a desire to see and taste.

That sign sells more eggs than any of the slogans of the chairman of the Victorian Railway Board of Commissioners, whose chief slogan could, most advantageously, study the methods of this out-back salesman.

BAD BARTWITCH.

Tageblatt (Berlin):

Bartewitch, a peasant of the Polish village of Lillian, near Vilna, met in the street a pedlar named Bojarski. He asked him to buy "an old skin" which he had at home. Arrived there, he pointed to an aged man crouched by the stove, saying: "That's it, you can take it with you. It's my father."

The pedlar was so impressed by Bartewitch's cruelty that when the old man rose speechless, he led the way out of the house and two went off.

The pedlar gave the old man a meal and shelter. Next morning old Bartewitch insisted on seeing a lawyer, whom he instructed to make over his farm and fields, now occupied by his son, to the pedlar. The son was soon after ejected by the police, and Bojarski is now installed with the "old skin," happy

and well cared for as an honoured member of the household.

MY OLD DUTCH.

The African World (London):

"Ouma" Van Zyl, the oldest white woman in South Africa, is dead. Her age has been officially notified as 113 years, and she died within a week of her 114th birthday.

At 14 she was taken by her father with the band of pioneers who moved north from the Cape on the Great Trek. Kaffirs attacked the caravan and her father was killed.

For three months she was kept a captive by the Kaffirs, and lived, as she once said, "on tears and berries."

She was eventually rescued by Boers.

A FAN IN THE HOUSE.

Morning Post (London):

And so, despite cocktails and cigarettes, the fan still survives—the coquettish, deadly, all-conquering fan. Its introduction into the House of Commons caused trepidation among members. Men may not carry sidearms in the Chamber, and they wisely ask, is this battle-ment, behind whose cover bright eyes do deadly execution, to be allowed upon the green benches?

Was their anxiety allayed when the fan was declared to be in order? Politics will be in a pretty pickle as the fan becomes more fashionable and women Members more numerous. Blue fans will be used to tempt left-wingers to the other side of the House, and glances from behind red ones will try to shake the resolution of those opposite. Such pretty conquests may send us to our dictionaries in search of a more graceful and courteous verb than the one "to rat."

SHACKLES ON LIBERTY.

Shanghai Mercury.

To say that teaching the elements of Christianity to the young is to place shackles upon their liberty of thought is to entirely misapprehend Christianity. No religion is more explicit in stating liberty of will and freedom of thought. It is the Christian religion which gives the exhortation, "Prove all things; hold fast that which is good." The shackles on liberty of thought are placed on by any government which refuses liberty to millions of its subjects to worship when and how they choose, or to have which books they like in their libraries, and which penalizes those who wish to add morality and noble living to the material acquisition of education. China might well learn a lesson on this subject from the great free nations of the world, where religious freedom exists and there is liberty of thought such as is disallowed in China to-day by the small proportion of people who are exercising power.



How your watter looks when you are on that eighteen-day Hollywood diet.

CEMENT COMPANY MEETING.**APPROVAL OF NEW ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.****RESOLUTION PASSED.**

Confirmation of the special resolution passed at an extraordinary general meeting of the Company for the purpose of adopting new Articles of Association was expressed at a meeting of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., held in Exchange Building this morning, when Mr. J. Scott Harston presided. The Chairman was supported by Sir Robert Ho Tung, Messrs. C. A. de Roza, Li Tse-fong, C. F. Mendham, (Directors), Allan Keith (Secretary), R. A. Wadson (Solicitor), Mr. M. Figueiredo and Mr. F. E. Silva, (shareholders).

In addressing the meeting, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—The object for which this meeting has been called is, as indicated in the notice which the Secretary has just read, for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings at the extraordinary general meeting held on the 16th ultimo and of confirming, if thought fit, as a special resolution the resolution which was passed at that meeting. That resolution, as you will remember, concerned the approval of the draft new Articles of Association of the Company.

You will also remember that at the above-mentioned meeting I shortly explained to you why your Directors thought it essential to alter the Articles of Association, and I do not consider it necessary to deal further therewith except to add that at the meeting in question the draft new Articles of Association were unanimously approved, and that the resolution recording such approval was unanimously passed as an extraordinary resolution.

Under the Hongkong Companies Ordinance, however, it is necessary that the approval of the new Articles of Association shall be signified by special resolution, and consequently this meeting has been convened for the purpose of enabling the extraordinary resolution above referred to, to be confirmed as a special resolution, and I accordingly beg to propose the confirmation as a special resolution of the said extraordinary resolution, namely:—"That the new Articles already approved by this meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be approved and adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all the existing Articles thereof." I shall be glad if some shareholder will kindly second that.

Mr. M. A. Figueiredo seconded the resolution, which was carried without dissent, this concluding the business.

ECHO OF SHIPPING MISHAP.**CREW BROUGHT HERE FROM THE PHILIPPINES.**

Arriving here yesterday morning, Capt. S. Miyairi, master of the s.s. Atago Maru, reported to the Harbour Office that she brought in 12 Japanese from Iloilo, from which she sailed for this port on August 1.

These 12 men, it is believed, comprised the crew of the Japanese steamer Kinsho Maru, which met with a mishap on her way from Takao to Borneo. They were handed over to the master of the Atago Maru by the authorities at Iloilo, to be taken back to Japan.

These were all the details available at the Harbour Office and even the Japanese Consulate could give no further information about the matter. An official said no report had been made to the Consulate by the 12 members of the crew of the Kinsho; they only knew that the 12 men were being taken back to Japan.

VOLUNTEER CONCERT ON FRIDAY.**AN ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME ARRANGED.**

The public is reminded of the promenade concert which is to take place on the Volunteer Parade Ground on Friday at 9.30 p.m.

His Excellency the Governor, who is Honorary Colonel of the Corps, will be dining with the officers that night, and during dinner the Volunteer Band will play and will also bear the brunt of the subsequent programme.

The Band, whose members are very keen, has greatly improved of late, and the object of the concert is to secure adequate Band funds. Tickets will be \$1 each.

A most attractive programme has been arranged, of which we hope to give details to-morrow.

RE-USE OF WINE LABELS.**FINE OF \$150 ON MANAGER OF DISTILLERY.****REMOVAL OF 80 JARS.**

Chiu Kwong-sang, manager of a distillery at 68, Tung Hing village, Kowloon City, was summoned before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning by Mr. H. A. Taylor and accused of having allowed forty jars of spirits to leave his distillery without a pass.

Mr. F. H. Kwok appeared for the defendant and entered a plea of guilty to a technical offence. He said the distillery had certain jars of wine on their premises and they had been delivered to a certain old customer of the firm. The usual counterfoil had not been issued. He understood, however, that the defendant was out at the time and his foks had sent the liquor to avoid delay in delivery, intending to issue the pass immediately. He thought a caution would meet the case.

Mr. Taylor stated that on July 21 Mr. N. J. Young passed 80 jars of wine at the distillery and in the evening when he (Mr. Taylor) himself paid a visit to the premises he found no traces of the jars. A pass had been made out for 40 of the jars, but it was found that the balance had been sent out to wine shops without a pass. The duty had not been paid but would have been paid in the usual course on the following Wednesday.

There was no question of avoiding the revenue on the wine, but the point was that the labels could be re-used if no pass were issued with jars which were sent out of distilleries. That day there was a certain quantity of wine which could have been put into the jars again if they were taken back to the distillery. He thought the defence that the order came suddenly was rather thin, as all the foks knew they had to stand by the regulations. The master of the wine shop had since absconded.

His Worship:—Do you suggest that it was done for the purpose of re-using the labels?

Mr. Taylor:—Yes, that's the suggestion, and that is why the master of this other shop has cleared out.

A fine of \$150 was imposed.

SEQUEL TO LAUNCH COLLISION.**COXSAIN ON CHARGE OF MANSLAUGHTER.**

When mention was again made before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning of the case of To So-tai, coxswain of the Cheung Chau ferry Sun Tai, who is charged with manslaughter following a collision with a junk and the subsequent drowning of a child, Mr. Hin-shing Lo intimated that he had been retained by the defence and asked for a date for the hearing to be fixed.

Mr. Lo remarked that he understood certain circumstances might justify the release of his client.

In reply to his Worship Mr. Lo remarked that he did not think his client was on bail. Perhaps Mr. Li Yau-tsun, his employer, might come forward but the man himself could not afford the sum.

Inspector Ogg informed his Worship that he had consulted the Public Prosecutor and the Crown were asking for another week's remand to consider the case.

Answering his Worship, Mr. Lo said that he had no objections but he hoped that this time next week his client would be released.

SOLICITOR'S CHEQUE FOR BAIL.**MONEY DEPOSITED BY CLIENT IN OFFICE.**

An application for bail was made by Mr. M. K. Lo before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning in a case in which a Chinese passenger of the President Jefferson, which arrived in port on Friday last was arrested for being in possession of an automatic pistol, a Lugar pistol and a quantity of ammunition.

Mr. Lo said the police had gone thoroughly into the case and they had no objection to bail. They suggested that the sum should be \$5,000. Mr. Lo asked his Worship to fix bail at that sum and also requested his Worship to accept his (Mr. Lo's) cheque for the money. He explained that the defendant had deposited the money at his office but, not wishing to run the risk of being robbed, he had not taken it with him to Court.

His Worship granted the application, the Police raising no objections.

REBELS GIVE UP KWEILIN.**CANTON TROOPS TAKE OVER THE CITY.****NANNING SEIGE.**

Canton, Aug. 5.

The 2nd Air Squadron, which is stationed at Wuchow, for the purpose of carrying out operations against the Kwangsi-Ironside rebels, was recently obliged to return to Canton owing to the flooding of the Wuchow aerodrome by the West River which overflowed its banks. The floods having subsided, the squadron has now returned to Wuchow.

News reported by the Military Headquarters confirms the evacuation of Kweilin in the northern part of the Province by the Ironsides and the entry into the city of three Brigades under Colonel Ip Shui, Colonel Wong Yin-wah and Colonel Wong Chapman.

In the South it is claimed that the 8th Route Army is actually besieging Nanning, which is expected to fall at any moment. The rebel troops at Nanning are reported to be few in number; they are under the command of General Wai Yung-chung and General Lu Fu-shiang.

Admiral Chan Chak, Commander-in-Chief of the 4th Naval Squadron (Kwangtung Provincial Fleet) left Canton to-day on board his flagship, the gunboat Chung Shan, to make a tour of inspection throughout the southern part of Kwangtung. He will be absent about three weeks and will visit Hainan Island, Lui Chow, Kowchow and Yum-lin.—Our Own Correspondent.

THE MONTMARTRE FOLLIES.**SOME OF THE MEMBERS OF THE COMPANY.**

The Montmartre Follies, a company of Russian singers and dancers, are due to open a short season at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday. M. Bakaleinikoff, musical director of the Queen's Theatre orchestra, organised the company on a recent visit to Shanghai and the season will open at the Queen's on Sunday night, the company appearing at the four daily performances.

Included in the company is the Olympic Trio comprising Vera Volkova, George Goncharoff and Serge Toropoff which in its eccentric dances has made a name for itself in several theatres in the North. Other members of the company are Vera Fynn (acrobatic dancer), Alla Nedler, a classical dancer who has performed at several Shanghai theatres, Nona Ganin, a singer of jazz and a modern dancer, Tasia Goldin, characteristic dancer and Herta Zand, dramatic soprano who has appeared in grand opera in several Russian theatres.

The Follies will appear at the Queen's in an act between pictures.

NO WARNINGS AT KAI TAK.**MAGISTRATE'S HINT TO THE AUTHORITIES.**

Five villagers of Kowloon City appeared before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of trespassing on the Kai Tak Aerodrome.

Sub Inspector A. H. Elston pointed out the attendant dangers of people trespassing on the aerodrome and intimated that the arrests were made in consequence of complaints received from the authorities. The women were found drying grass on the aerodrome grounds. Warnings had been previously issued to the villagers, but it could not be said whether the defendants had been personally warned.

His Worship, on being told that there were no notices informing the public that the Aerodrome was property on which trespassers would be prosecuted, intimated that the authorities, if they were going to bring prosecutions, should warn the public by posting notices around the Aerodrome.

The defendants were all cautioned while a sixth who failed to appear had her bail of \$3 estreated.

In our report of the case in which Mr. A. Michel, of the Peninsula Hotel, was summoned yesterday for unnecessarily sounding the horn of his motor-car in Cause Road, it was inadvertently stated that the summons was taken out Mrs. Scott, wife of Mr. W. R. Scott, A.S.P. In point of fact, the summons was issued by Mr. Scott in the ordinary course of duty, and his wife was in no way associated with the case.

BAD SARDINES IN KOWLOON.**POLICE COURT SEQUEL TO THE SEIZURES.****COUNTRY CAT FOOD.**

As reported at the time, a large quantity of sardines which were pronounced to be unwholesome was seized in different shops in the Yau-mat district during the middle of last month and at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning five summonses were mentioned before Mr. Whyte Smith in connexion with the seizures.

Mr. L. R. Andrewes, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared before his Worship and accused Ho Leung and Ho Sit of 32, Shantung Street of having 12 tins of the sardines in their possession, while Ho Sit was also accused of having, been in possession of 1,180 tins of the unwholesome food.

Ho Leung intimated that the tins had been entrusted to him by Ho Sit. The fish were not intended for human consumption but were to have been sent back to the country for cats. The other defendant admitted possession, but claimed that when he had tried to dispose of the tins they had been rejected, first by the Sanitary garbage cart and then by the boats.

Two summonses against Li Si-fai and Li Woo of 58, Reclamation Street were also mentioned, it being stated that the first defendant had gone to the country. The second defendant stated that he was the accountant of the firm and the 3,200 tins of sardines which were given to him for safe keeping by a friend who had asked him to find a place to store the sardines. He had accordingly rented 16, Reclamation Street where the fish had been kept in preparation for delivery to the country after the tins had been cleaned.

His Worship (to Mr. Andrewes): I think you regard it as a serious case. Have you considered whether they should not be on bail?

Mr. Andrewes: I have, with the Head of the Sanitary Department, but I don't think that it is necessary.

His Worship: You are not asking for bail?

Mr. Andrewes: No. The summonses were all adjourned for hearing on Thursday, August 14 at 2.15 p.m.

MAN WHO WED HIS AUNT.**INDIAN CEREMONY, WHICH WAS NOT LEGAL.**

An interesting question of marriage laws was decided when Lord Merrivale, in the Divorce Court, heard the cross-petitions between Captain Daryl Robert George Peel, of the Indian Army, at present residing at Langley, Bucks, and his alleged wife, Delphine Monica (formerly Peel), of St. John's-road, Harrow-on-the-Hill.

Mrs. Peel sought a decree of restitution of conjugal rights on the ground of desertion. Captain Peel petitioned for a decree of nullity of marriage on the ground that the marriage came within the prohibited degree, she being his aunt.

The couple went through a ceremony of marriage in India in 1921. There was one child.

Both were Roman Catholics, and a special dispensation, it was alleged, was obtained with regard to the marriage.

Law of Henry VIII. Lord Merrivale asked if it was agreed that the canon law of the Roman Catholic Church governed the question.

Mr. Cotes-Freedy contended it did not.

Serjeant Sullivan (for the wife): Not the canon law as such, but so far as the canon law is the governing law of marriage in India it becomes Indian law, and the parties being domiciled in India at the time of the marriage the question of the validity of the marriage has to be determined according to the rules of domicile.

The Judge said it was agreed that husband and wife came within the prohibitive degree of marriage according to English law laid down under the Act passed in the reign of Henry VIII. There was no trace in the Indian Statutes of any intention to relax the marriage law as relating to British subjects living in India, and the Court decreed that this marriage ceremony was null and void.

Ten minutes after his admission to the Government Civil Hospital, a Chinese lad, Kwon Hoi, aged nine, of No. 1, Kan Yu-fong, succumbed to injuries received as a result of a fall from the roof of the premises while flying a paper kite, yesterday afternoon.

DISPUTE OVER A LOAN.**FIFTY THOUSAND ACTION IN SUPREME COURT.****OUT OF AN ESTATE.**

An action concerning a loan of \$50,000, alleged to have been repaid, was commenced in the Supreme Court this morning before the Chief Justice (Sir Joseph Kemp). Plaintiffs are Un Ting-tsun, Un Ting-kwong and Un Chung-shi, executors of the will of Un Hoi-U, deceased, who are living at No. 59, Bonham Strand. Defendants are Lau Lam-shi, No. 7, Wyndham Street, and Lau Yick-cheuk, No. 58, Kennedy Road.

Mr. H. C. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. G. S. Hugh Jones, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, is for plaintiffs, and the defence is being conducted by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., together with Mr. F. G. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. A. el Arculli.

Plaintiffs state that in August, 1914, they were lent the sum of \$50,000 out of the estate of Lau Ping, the administrators then being Lau Yu-fong and Lau Yick-cheuk. On December 20, 1927, Lau Yu-fong died and his affairs were administered by Lau Lam-shi, his concubine, who also administered the estate of Lau Ping deceased. On December 16, 1927, plaintiffs state, they repaid the loan of \$50,000 for which they gave an undivided half share in Inland Lot No. 1324 as security.

Plaintiffs are now claiming a declaration that they are entitled to the property free of all encumbrances created by the debt, or an order that defendants execute a certificate of satisfaction or other proper form of re-assignment or release, or that a vesting order be made, and further, that defendants must deliver up to plaintiffs all documents of title relating to the property.

A statement of defence, filed by first defendant, states that she has no direct knowledge of, and had been refused any proper information about, the money being advanced, or that it came from the estate of Lau Ping, deceased, or that it was repaid. Prior to the proceedings, she asked, as a condition precedent to her releasing the property, that she should be furnished with proper accounts concerning plaintiffs' allegations with regard to the money, but defendant declares, she has not been furnished with them. First defendant further asserts that the documents of title to the property have never been in her possession.

When the case opened this morning, the second defendant was absent and he was not represented. His Lordship gave leave to Mr. Sheldon to proceed against him *ex-parte*.

The case is proceeding.

NO SACRISTY FOR THE ABBEY.**PLAN WHICH DONOR DECLINED TO ACCEPT.**

The scheme for the provision of a Sacristy for Westminster Abbey, which has aroused considerable controversy since it was first put before the public two years ago, has been abandoned.

The reason for this step is given in the following official statement:—"The Dean and Chapter of Westminster have for some months, with the assistance of their architect, been trying to make an effective scheme out of the plan recommended by the Advisory Committee presided over by Lord Davidson for a small Sacristy on the South side of the Abbey, near Poets' Corner door."

"This site was one of the first considered, not only by the present Dean but by his predecessor. It is not feasible to make an adequate Sacristy in this position, but the Dean and Chapter felt that as it had been deliberately chosen by so weighty a committee, it was their duty to go into the whole question once again and see what could be done."

"The project has, however, now been brought to an end because the donor declines altogether, not without reason, to accept this plan in place of the complete scheme for which the generous gift was originally offered. The Abbey, therefore, is left not only without the accommodation that it requires, but without the necessary means to provide it."

Sir William Arbuthnot Lane, speaking at the Practical Psychology Club Convention at Leicester declared that nothing annoyed him more than criticism of girl pillow riders. They took certain risks, but they were driven out into the country, which was better than sitting in cinemas holding young men's hands and eating chocolates.

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FINE BOWLING BY PEBBLES.

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capturing six wickets at the cost of only 29 runs. Needing only 25 runs for victory, Gloucester got these for the loss of one wicket.

Kent v. Hampshire.
Kent batted first and made 271, Kennedy taking five for 80. Hampshire were skittled out for 98 but rain again interfered and the match had to be abandoned.

Lancashire v. Yorkshire.
The game at Manchester resulted in a win on the first innings for Lancashire, mainly due to a fine innings by E. Tyldesley. Lancashire declared with their score at 284 for six wickets. E. Tyldesley having made 107. The Yorkshire batsmen failed before the bowling of MacDonald, the team being all out for 125. MacDonald took seven wickets for 58 runs.

Essex v. Worcester.
Worcester made 128 and Essex declared at 180 for five wickets. Rain interfered and the game was abandoned at this stage.

Middlesex v. Sussex.
Middlesex won by nine wickets largely on account of their bowling strength. Sussex batted first and made 243. Middlesex replying with 214. In the second innings, however, Sussex were all out for a modest 72. Peebles taking five for eight runs and Allen five for 31. Middlesex got the necessary 104 runs for victory with the loss of only one wicket.

Surrey v. Notts.
This match was abandoned after Notts had made 181 (Peach five for 70) and with Somerset's score at 96 for two wickets.—*Reuter.*

To-day's Matches.
The following matches are starting to-day:
Sussex v. Surrey at Hastings.
Worcester v. Derbyshire at Kidderminster.
Gloucester v. Glamorgan at Clifton.
Kent v. Nottinghamshire at Canterbury.
Leicester v. Yorkshire at Leicester.
Lancashire v. Middlesex at Liverpool.
Northants v. Hampshire at Northampton.
Somerset v. Essex at Weston-super-Mare.
Warwickshire v. Australians at Birmingham.

AMERICAN BASEBALL RESULTS.

BROOKLYN SUFFER DEFEAT IN NATIONAL LEAGUE.

The race for honors in the National Baseball League has been made more keen by the defeat of the leaders by the New York players who scored four times without reply against Brooklyn. Boston improved their percentage by a victory over the lowly placed Philadelphia team.

The full scores of Monday's matches as cable by *Reuter* are given below:

National League.			
Brooklyn	0	New York	4
Boston	3	Philadelphia	2
American League.			
Philadelphia	13	Boston	4
St. Louis	2	Cleveland	5
Detroit	7	Chicago	5
Present Positions.			
Including the games given above the latest standings of the various teams are as follows:			
National League.			
Brooklyn	61	41	598
Chicago	53	43	574
New York	57	45	569
St. Louis	51	49	510
Pittsburgh	50	49	505
Boston	48	55	469
Cincinnati	44	55	434
Philadelphia	34	66	340
American League.			
Philadelphia	72	35	673
Washington	62	41	602
New York	60	45	571
Cleveland	55	51	519
Detroit	51	51	477
Chicago	43	61	413
St. Louis	43	64	402
Boston	36	69	343

Railway passengers seem to be increasingly in trouble with their luggage. The returns of accidents and casualties on British railways during 1929 indicate that 212 passengers were injured by "being struck by barrows and falling over packages, &c., on station platforms," as compared with 161 during the previous year. A slight increase is reported in accidents to trains, while in railway accidents of all kinds, 267 persons were killed, 80 being passengers.

SCOTLAND YARD SECRETS.

FINGER PRINT STORIES IN A NEW BOOK.

TELL-TALE POWDER.

There had been a big jewel robbery. A wealthy foreign visitor's priceless gems disappeared from his hotel bedroom—only a ripped jewel case remaining to tell the owner and the detectives the sad story.

Was the thief a man or a woman? An expert or a mere amateur? There was not a clue to help the police. Servants were closely questioned. No, they saw no strangers in the hotel at the time of the robbery. They saw nobody leave the bedroom. Another baffling mystery.

Here come the men from Scotland Yard. A keen-faced detective produces a little box of grey powder. The jewels were taken from the top right-hand drawer of the dressing-table? Yes.

Tell-Tale Powder.

Right! Out comes that drawer. The fine grey powder—a composition of mercury and chalk—is dusted lightly over the woodwork around the handle and the lock. Two puffs—the surplus powder is blown away. A solitary finger-print is revealed. The "Silent Terror" of the Yard has begun to operate.

How a criminal may be identified by means of a single finger-print has been a problem which has occupied some of the keenest brains at Scotland Yard for the past 20 years.

Now, in a book called "Single Finger Prints," Chief-Inspector Battley, who is in charge of the Finger Print Bureau at Scotland Yard, reveals the secrets of his system.

Here are a few stories related in the book which reveal how deadly is the work done among the carefully-kept finger-print files at the Yard.

A burglar, apparently well aware of the risk of discovery by finger-prints, took the precaution of dropping into a rain-water butt the pieces of window glass he had broken in making his entry. He had, however, underrated the intelligence of the local police, who, failing to account for the whole of the glass from the broken window, instituted a search for the missing fragments and found them.

They were carefully retrieved, dried and taken to the Finger-Print Bureau. Here several latent impressions were developed, the marks having suffered very little from their immersion for many hours. They were identified as those of a local criminal, who on this evidence, was tried for the offence, found guilty and sentenced to a long term of imprisonment.

The carelessness and recklessness of criminals in repeating mistakes for which they have already suffered is illustrated in the following story:

In 1912 a finger-print left on a window led to a man being sentenced to a term of penal servitude. In the early part of 1929 an epidemic of burglaries occurred in a Midland town. In no fewer than three of these cases finger-prints were discovered. They were subsequently identified as those of the person convicted in 1912.

JOYCE AND HER PAST.

A GIRL WHOM NOBODY WANTS.

Joyce Dale is 22 years of age. Tall, slim, wearing a fancy silk jumper and skirt and a neat tie to match, she was charged at Marylebone with sleeping out in Upper Park-place, W., without visible means of subsistence.

Asked if she peddled guilts, Joyce nodded her bobbed head. Police Constable 478 D. said he found her asleep at 4 a.m. She said she had no money and nowhere to go and he took her to the police station.

The magistrate asked the woman missionary if she could do anything for Joyce.

The missionary replied that she was afraid she could not. Joyce, she said, had been on probation twice already. The Salvation Army could not take her as she had previously set fire to one of their homes.

The police then produced a list of convictions against Joyce and it was revealed that she was known in the names of Gladys Smith and Peggy Travers, as well as Joyce Dale.

In 1921, and again in 1924, she was bound over for larceny, and sent to a Borstal institution for three years. In 1926, she was sentenced to six months' hard labour for theft; in 1928 she was bound over for arson and three months as a suspected person, and she had been charged with burglary.

She was sentenced to 14 days' imprisonment.

PENANG RACING SEQUEL.

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Plaintiff's Evidence.

Major Doyle was then called. He said he was a retired Major, a D.S.O. and Commissioned in 1910. He described his service in the course of his examination. He said he had ridden in India, all over England, Ireland and Belgium, and in the Grand National and the National Hunt cup. He was a member of most of the big racing clubs in England. He accepted the post of judge to the S.R.A. in 1923 at \$1,000 a month plus \$20 daily for travelling. Afterwards this was changed to a fixed sum of \$300 monthly. In addition to being a judge he was a veterinary surgeon. There was no truth in the allegations in "Clean Sport's" letter. If it had been published at Home it was likely to affect him very greatly.

Going Home Soon.

He had a three year contract in this country, and at the end of another year or so he was going Home to resume racing in England, to train or manage a stable, or be intimately connected with racing, whereon his livelihood would depend. It was possible he might be offered the post of judge. He was well-known at Home and he might be offered a job in any part of the world.

Mr. Simpson then examined Major Doyle for defendants.

Might Affect Future.

Are you out for money over this?—I asked the paper for an apology and I did not mention anything about damages.
Oh, come—I don't think I did.
Your letter also states damages?—Then I did.

Do you really think that if you apply, after retiring from Malaya, for a post in England somebody will say "Clean Sport" said something about you in the *Pinang Gazette* right away in Malaya, and it might affect your chances?—Seriously it might.

Do you think the chances are one in a thousand?—I cannot estimate.
Mr. Simpson, for the defence suggested that the letter from "Clean Sport" was hardly likely to affect Major Doyle in England. Would anyone for a moment take the letter seriously? Would they seriously think it reflected on Major Doyle's honesty or probity? Any harm the letter was likely to do was purely suspected, and in regard to the future.

His Lordship giving an oral judgment said he could not regard the publication of that letter as a little matter which was not likely to do plaintiff any harm. The editors and those responsible for the conduct of the newspaper were responsible for the publication of letters from correspondents. It seemed to him that any ordinary-minded person reading the letter must have come to the conclusion that there was something corrupt in the state of the S.R.A.

"A Shocking Thing"

His Lordship went on to say that when he read the letter as any ordinary person would have done, he thought it a most shocking thing that owners and trainers should pay a judge, "Clean Sport" objected to the judge who paid owners and trainers. It was true there was no reflection on the present judge, but he went on to say that his decisions had been doubted on account of financial considerations. A conclusion to which any ordinary man would come was that the judge was not above financial consideration.

A plain and gross libel had been committed on a person who was alleged to have received direct payment from owners and trainers, a judge not above suspicion and asking the Turf Club either to remove the judge or the financial consideration.

His Lordship went on to say that he thought this was a case for substantial damages—there had been no apology or regret expressed up-to-date with regard to the measure of damages. His Lordship recalled the case in 1907 of *Dennis vs. Straits Times* where, despite an apology in court, the plaintiff was awarded \$5,000. Then there was a later case, *Singapore Cold Storage vs. Straits Times*. Here again the plaintiffs had been awarded \$5,000.

It seemed to him therefore, that the very least he could award the plaintiff in the present case was a similar amount. His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff in the sum of \$5,000 and costs on a higher scale.

Members of the Helena May Institute were "At Home" to friends yesterday afternoon. Tea was served during the earlier part of the proceedings while a short concert was given during the later part. Miss Gladys Heard, Mrs. R. Sanger and Mr. Dick Bartly were responsible for the musical side of the function.

"ELECTRIC MAN" SEEKS GOLD.

BIG PUZZLE FOR MINING ENGINEERS.

TESTS IN AFRICA.

Keen interest continues to be manifested in scientific and mining circles in Rhodesia in the semi-official tests to which Mr. F. Stone, commonly known as the "electric man," is being subjected.

Mr. Stone attracted attention in England by demonstrations of an unusual gift of ascertaining the presence of metals underground by means of a divining rod, used in much the same manner as in the case of water-divining. He was induced to come out to Rhodesia by a prominent citizen of Gatooma interested in mining enterprises, and his powers have since been tested by experts with remarkable results.

Mr. Stone attributes his powers to the fact that his body contains "a super-charge of electricity," which necessitates his constantly wearing thick rubber soles to his boots. Some while ago a series of experiments was conducted under the supervision of officials of the Government Geological Department.

Buried Bags of Gold.

The "electric man" was set to locate buried bags of gold. Six bags, three containing granite and three containing soil in which were placed lumps of gold ore, were secreted with the tops of the bags open. Equipped with his usual apparatus—a large clock spring—Mr. Stone proceeded on his quest, and it is indisputable that the spring began to twist and oscillate violently as he passed over the bags containing the gold.

As a further test, unknown to the diviner, the Head of the Geological Department buried a number of silver coins in various parts of the grounds, and Mr. Stone discovered all of these with one exception. The undiscovered coin had been placed beneath a flattened match box, and Mr. Stone explains his failure in this instance as being due to the wooden box acting as an insulator.

A theory advanced by the experts is that with his "super-charge of electricity," Mr. Stone's body contains the property possessed by the electrical instruments used in modern methods of mineral divining and thus establishes definite electrical contact between the hidden metal and the clock spring.

FASHIONS BY LAW.

PRISON FOR LONG SKIRTS SUGGESTED.

A day when fashion would be regulated by the sanitary authorities was foreshadowed by Mr. Edward Willis, chairman of the council of the Royal Sanitary Institute, speaking at the Congress dinner at Margate.

"Those who believe that it will require regulations to induce people to wear the clothes which are in the interests of their health," he said, "will no doubt look forward to the day when fines will be imposed on men who wear tight-fitting collars and sweaters their limbs in thick tweeds in hot weather. They probably cherish dreams of a state of affairs when seaside councils will forbid bathers to wear anything but the scantiest costumes. The wearing of long skirts would, of course, be a criminal offence, for which the punishment would be imprisonment."

The possibility that changes are taking place in the physiology of modern woman which make child-bearing more dangerous than it was for her predecessors was hinted at by Lady Howard de Walden at a meeting of the congress.

Referring to the 73,682 deaths in child-birth since 1911, she said that contrary to general belief these deaths did not occur exclusively among the poorer classes, but were distributed impartially among all classes.

A Belgian chemist, M. Robert Linsen, claims to have made a very important discovery. He positively declares that he has discovered the secret of the synthesis of radio-active bodies, uranium and the different species of radium included. All radio-active substances being compound bodies. M. Linsen states that he expects to be able to manufacture these bodies experimentally. If his assertion proves true there might well be a fantastic decrease in the price of radium, now worth 2,200,000 francs per gramme. Belgium, it will be remembered, thanks to her Congo colony, now holds the monopoly in radium production.

CHANGSHA CITY RECAPTURED.

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Manchurian Issue.

A Peking politician, representing Marshal Yen Hsi-shan to visit Mukden to persuade the Manchurian Government to join the war, returned to Peking on Monday.

Explaining the position of the Manchurian Government, he said the latter feared a resumption of Soviet demonstrations and bombardments along the Chinese Eastern Railway if Mukden mobilises troops to go into China Proper.

The Japanese have indicated strong disapproval at the possibility of Manchuria joining the war, and in this connexion General Chang Hsueh-liang, head of the Manchurian Government, is perturbed by the thought of the Japanese extending their sphere of influence once Mukden declares war. There is also a possibility of the Japanese demanding an immediate settlement of all outstanding problems between her and Manchuria in Mongolia and the Three Eastern Provinces.

Finance Factor.

By far the most important reason for Manchuria remaining neutral is because the *Feng Pui* notes issued in the name of the Manchurian Government have dropped to a very low ebb and it is estimated that the *Feng Pui* is quoted at 33 per cent. to the silver dollar. A declaration of war would certainly have a bad effect on the Manchurian notes by further bringing down the rates.

Recapture of Changsha.

Nanking, Aug. 5.
An official statement declares that it is confirmed that Government troops entered Changsha this morning.—*Reuter.*

Kanchow Unsafe.

Peking Aug. 5.
American missionaries in Kanchow, Kiangsi, numbering twelve, have been advised to leave.—*Reuter.*

Japan's Action.

Shanghai, Aug. 5.
A message from Sasebo, the Japanese naval depot, says that owing to the Communist menace on the Yangtze, the 24th destroyer squadron, consisting of the warships Yanagi, Momo, Kashi and Nara, have sailed for Shanghai.—*Reuter.*

Wang Ching-wei and Yen.

Peking, Aug. 5.
Wang Ching-wei arrived at Shihchiachwang yesterday morning. Yen Hsi-shan greeted him at the station, after which an informal meeting of the Central Executive Committee was held.
Yen Hsi-shan banqueted Wang Ching-wei and party in the evening.
Yen and Wang are expected to go southwards to-day to meet Feng Yu-hsiang, but Wang is expected to return to Peking in time for the first formal meeting of the enlarged plenary session of the Kuomintang, which is fixed for August 7.—*Reuter.*

Canton Troops at Tsingtao.

Shanghai, Aug. 5.
While the Communist menace in the Yangtze Valley grows apace, 20,000 Cantonese troops arrived at Tsingtao by steamer during the week-end, and entrained for Kiam.

A further 50,000 Nationalist troops are expected, in connexion with a fresh attempt to retake Tsinanfu.—*Reuter.*

WATER LEVELS.

ON WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

The following table, issued by the Kwangtung River Conservancy Commission, shows in English feet the water levels on the West River, North River and East River, on the dates named:

Aug. 4.			
Shuihung	25.2	25.4	
Tsingyuen	16.2	15.2	
Samshui	16.5	17.0	
Shelung	10.1	10.6	
The highest levels on record are—Shuihung, 41 feet; Tsingyuen, 29.2 feet; Samshui, 27.3 feet; Shelung, 15.5 feet.			
The lowest level on record at Samshui is minus 5 feet and at Shelung minus 2.7 feet.			

A charge of being in possession of a forged \$100 bank note was brought against two Chinese who appeared before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowoon Magistracy this morning. On the application of Detective Sergeant Meadows, the two men were remanded formally for one week.

DANCING JUDITH

by CORALIE STANTON. and HEATH HOSKEN.

CHAPTER XIX.

Judy turned her head slightly and smiled at Gideon, who reached her side, his smile turning to a frown as he saw her companion.

"Miss Grant is coming with us," said Steyne, quietly, "We have arranged a little gathering for her."

Judy laughed nervously, and almost against her will, walked beside the young man toward the door. Gideon followed, his bull neck and large ears very red, his face livid with rage.

"I am under the impression that Miss Grant is coming to have a little supper with me," he said.

"I think not," Alan replied.

They had reached Chummy and Clara Jenks, who looked at them in surprise. Chummy, a moment later, shrunk back as she became aware of the passions let loose. That first, original quarrel of manhood hurt her—the quarrel of two men about a woman. Of course, she did not understand it. She simply saw that Alan was put out, and that Gideon had an ugly look on his face.

Judy, always apt to lose her head under excitement, was laughing uncontrollably.

"Oh, what a fuss!" she managed to say between two almost hysterical attacks.

"Come, Clarissa!" said Alan sternly.

His face indicated what he expected her to do. Still at sea, she linked her arm in her friend's.

"Come along, Judy dear! We're going to the cafe."

"No, really!" laughed Judy. "Oh, you do make such a fuss about things! I'm going out to supper with Mr. Gideon. He asked me long ago."

"Perhaps Miss Grant might be allowed to decide for herself," suggested Gideon with elephantine sarcasm.

"I'm going with Mr. Gideon," Judy said.

She was near to tears now—tears of furious indignation at being treated "like a kid," as she would have said.

"You are coming with us," Steyne said.

He also was beside himself, but white as a ghost and quiet as a deep stream. Judy stamped her foot.

"I'm not, then! I'm not!"

That finished it. The two men measured glances, and the younger knew himself beaten.

Judy and Gideon went out to his waiting car. Clarissa, crimson with shame, hurried out into the lobby. Clara Jenks, secretly highly amused, waddled after her.

Clara was in wonderful spirits that night. She had just secured her first really promising engagement on the stage, to play in a duologue with a famous comedian at an uptown theatre. Her part was that of a drunken but good-hearted landlady, and she was going to revel in it.

Personally quick as lightning in her powers of observation, Clara had taken in a good deal more of the meaning of the little scene than had Chummy. She sided with Judy, and thought Mr. Steyne had been quite ridiculously overbearing. As if Judy didn't know her way about! If she wanted a good supper and a ride in a comfortable motor car, who was to blame her?

Chummy and Alan were just a little way ahead.

"Oh, Alan, was it necessary to be quite so cross with poor Judy?" the girl asked.

"You thought I was wrong, Clarissa?"

"It made me feel uncomfortable. After all, Judy can take care of herself, and Mr. Gideon had asked her first."

"He's not a fit man for her to be with," said Alan curtly. "I don't want to talk to you about it, but it is a fact. I wish you would do everything you can to prevent her going about with him."

His tone was so earnest that Clarissa was impressed. Her loving heart leaped in revolt at the hint of any unpleasantness coming near little Judy.

"I will, of course," she said; "but I don't think you need be afraid."

"That's because, like all girls, you think this man must be all right if he's rich!"

Alan spoke with almost vicious irritation. Chummy was so taken aback that she said nothing, but looked behind and stopped a moment for Clara Jenks to catch up with them.

All three boarded a bus and made their way to the Cafe Ture.

was a mystery that he had refused to divulge.

Everybody missed Dan. As the General said, without him and Miss Jude-ee he might as well put up his shutters.

Steyne could not disguise the fact that he was on wires. Bastien Dumont came and joined them. In the absence of Judy, the young man made himself agreeable to Clara—too agreeable, it is to be feared, for her snub face lit up, her lips smiled without the usual twist, and her round-gray-blue eyes rested on his handsome features without being able to disguise their admiration.

—Poor Clara, it was a hopeless business! Bastien had not a thought for her, except of camaraderie. It goes hard with a woman comedian when she falls in love. Clara was made to keep people in fits of delicious laughter, and in some way or other every living creature, man or woman, managed to make her aware of this.

When they broke up that night, her heart felt very light. She walked home arm in arm with Bastien. It had not occurred to her that Judy was not here. In fact, Judy had quite vanished from her mind.

Chummy had not forgotten her friend, however. She was tired, but she did not go to sleep until she heard Judy come up to her room. Judy was singing a little song under her breath. She must have had a good time, then.

It was well after midnight when Gideon's big car glided away from their door.

Neither Chummy nor Judy was aware that Alan Steyne had patrolled the street until he saw Judy drive up in safety, shake hands gayly with Gideon, enter the house, and run up the stairs.

It was more than a fortnight later, and spring had suddenly burst upon the earth in a great flood of colour and scent.

Judy had lived in a kind of whirl since her first visit to the Russian ballet. There had been many hours of solid, hard work—a "regular grind," she called it; but her whole heart was in it, and it came easily to her. Then there had been a great deal of gaiety, part of it organized by her artist friends of the cafe, but more by Gideon.

She could not have counted how many times she had seen "Mr. Punch" that fortnight. She had ceased to count them. She had drifted—that was how it was. Luxury was having its inevitable effect on her. Motor cars and good food and plays and ballets and music—she was beginning to think that these things were life.

She had seen very little of Chummy, who was also hard at work. Steyne had gone up to Maine again for a week or two. He had been present at the artists' ball at the Lemon Grove, but at the last moment Chummy had decided not to go there.

It had been a riotous night. Judy had vetoed Gideon's presence with a peremptoriness that he had not combated. He didn't dance, and he would spoil her fun, she told him; so he had not seen the featherlight, black Columbine, with silver leaves round her head, and all the world's laughter in her pansy eyes and on her crimson lips. It was well that he did not see her, for even the friend who had known her for years found her bewildering, and more, on that lantern-lit night.

Bastien Dumont, when it was over and he walked home, contemplated suicide under the cold, unfriendly stars.

Judy believed that M. Guarvenius was pleased with her. Not that he said much, but every now and then she saw a gleam come into his eyes, and he would call her "my bird" in Polish. She could not pronounce it, but he had told her what it meant, and never used it unless she did something well.

She deliberately refused to think of Alan Steyne.

That was one reason why she saw so much of Bruce Gideon. She encouraged the rich man's attentions because she felt that she must persuade Steyne that his part in life was to marry Chummy and make her happy.

She still had the sense of being flattered, and could not help having it. She was deferred to, consulted, placed on a pedestal of taste and knowledge, in a way that might easily have made her supremely ridiculous, had it not been managed less subtly. For she had no knowledge and very doubtful taste, particularly in matters of art.

She continued to see Gideon surrounded by people who deferred to him. She saw him with his cross-grained mouth set in a tight line, and all the world offering gifts to propitiate him. There were two or three men he now and then allowed to have meals with him when Judy was present, and they always seemed to be trying to cajole him into a good temper.

TWO KILLED IN BIG GODOWN FIRE.

B. & S. SUFFER HEAVY LOSS IN FOOTING.

Shanghai, Aug. 5. Two Chinese were burned to death and damage estimated at Tael 500,000 done as a result of a fire at one of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's godowns at Footing this morning.

A considerable amount of tea and paper is believed to have been destroyed.—Reuter.

And yet, to her, no one could have been figuratively speaking, more consistently on his knees.

Never once had he treated her in any way differently from the women of his own world. She was quite sure of that. He had never attempted to make love to her. He dwelt constantly on the all-absorbing theme of her career.

One afternoon, when Judy arrived at Vincent Stornaway's, she was shown into the studio, and the servant informed her that his master had a visitor with him. He did not say who it was.

Stornaway had one possession that Judy coveted more than anything in the world. It was the skin of a very large polar bear, which lay on the studio floor in front of the open fireplace where, summer and winter, wood burned on the beautiful old pierced-steel firelogs.

Judy simply loved it. It meant all beauty and all luxury to her. She had made up her mind that if she ever became a great dancer, the first thing she would buy would be a counterpart of it. She loved to kneel down on it and to bury her little hands in its snowy fur. She loved its silky softness and the resilience with which it started away from her touch.

She sank down on it now in the uttermost content, laying her bright head for a second on the squat, stuffed head of the animal. She looked like a child as she lay there.

The studio was rather dark on this particular afternoon, some of the curtains having been drawn over the big skylights. Outside the sun shone brilliantly. Just at the back of a couch by the hearth was a tall, many-folded screen of old Spanish leather, which entirely shut off that part of the enormous room.

Judy heard voices presently—first a murmur from the adjoining room; then they came nearer, and she recognized Bruce Gideon's soft tones mingling with Stornaway's. So he was the artist's guest! That probably meant that he had lunched here. He would go now, and Stornaway would settle down to several hours' work. She sighed, for she was very tired, and she had rather hoped for a short sitting.

(To Be Continued.)

BRITISH LADY ATTACKED.

CHINESE SOLDIER USES HIS BAYONET.

Shanghai, Aug. 5. Mrs. Hearne, the wife of the Engineer-in-Chief of the southern section of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, was attacked in her bedroom in the early morning at their residence, at Puchen, near Pukow, by a Chinese soldier.

Infuriated at her resistance, the man used a bayonet to overcome her struggles, and Mrs. Hearne is at present in the Nanking University Hospital, her condition being very serious.

Her assailant escaped in the darkness.

The British Consul General, Mr. Hewlett, has made strong representations to the Chinese Foreign Office.—Reuter.

A LONG DISTANCE FLIGHT.

FROM WEST AUSTRALIA TO ENGLAND.

Sydney, Aug. 5. The Australian airman Cunningham ham hopped off at Wyndham (West Australia) for Bima at 5.45 a.m. West Australian time on the first stage of a flight to England.—Reuter.

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DISTILLERY OWNER CHARGED.

SURREPTITIOUS DEALINGS ALLEGED.

Charges of surreptitiously moving a consignment of 30 jars of dutiable Chinese wines and of withholding from the official Departmental books all records relating to the consignment, both allegedly done with the view to defrauding the Revenue, were preferred against See To-yiu, licensee of the Ka Wah Distillery, Aberdeen, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. H. A. Taylor, Assistant Superintendent of Imports and Exports, stated that on the afternoon of July 10 he went out to Aberdeen with a Revenue Officer in a hire car, their purpose being to keep a watch for movements of wine consignments from the Distillery. Passing and repassing the Distillery, they came within sight of a motor-lorry heading for the premises. When first they passed it, it appeared to have aboard a number of apparently empty jars. Later, the vehicle drew up outside the gate of the Distillery, and, passing it again on their way back, they saw what appeared to be jars full of wine being loaded on to the vehicle by men emerging through the gate.

The hire car, in which the Revenue Officers were, went ahead, arriving at the Dairy Farm premises, where Mr. Taylor got out. He took up an observation post in the ice cream parlour, from where he later saw the lorry pass by on its way back to Hongkong, loaded with jars of wine, on which were green duty-paid labels.

They followed the lorry to its destination and saw the jars being taken into a native wine retail shop at No. 24, Queen's Street. No official action was taken then, said Mr. Taylor, as he did not want to expose his hand.

Not Recorded in Books.

Two days later, however, he visited the Distillery at Aberdeen in the early morning and, scanning the books, looked in vain for details relating to the consignment he saw moved out of the Distillery.

Replying to Mr. D. L. Strellett (who appeared for the defence), Mr. Taylor stated that a record was always kept of the green duty-labels issued to distilleries. He admitted that he did not see what were the numbers or series on the labels on the jars in question.

Mr. Strellett: Are you satisfied that every single label issued to the Ka Wah Distillery has been satisfactorily accounted for?

Witness: As far as I know by hearsay, yes.

Witness added that the same labels used on one consignment could be peeled off and surreptitiously used again. There had been cases to prove that.

Mr. Strellett: Has every drop of spirit manufactured on the premises been fully accounted for, according to the records?

Witness: According to the records, yes.

The date on which those labels are used would be recorded as well as the date when the jars left the distillery?—Yes.

Mr. Lindsell: The obvious assumption would be that the labels used again would be applied to consignments of which there is no record.

The case was adjourned until Monday morning.

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Mignon-Polka (Thomas).
Nadia Melius (Soprano). 6627B.
Salut D'Amour (Elgar).
I Kiss your Lips (Rudolph).
Marek Weber and His Orchestra. B2603.

Thank God for a Garden (Teresa Del Riego).
Jean (Burlingame).
John Turner (Tenor). B2341.
All Thro' the Night I Think of You. For you Alone.
De Groot and The Piccadilly Orchestra. B2757.

Lobstrum (Liszt).
Naila-Waltz (Dohnanyi).
Wilhelm Bachaus Piano Solo. 6582B.
Mountain Lovers (Squire).
Nirvana (Adams).
John Turner (Tenor). C1843.
Serenade (Korakow).
Valse Triste (Sibelius).
Chicago Symphony Orch. 6579A.
Son of Mine (Wallace).
Ethiopia Saluting The Colours.
Smart Robertson (Baritone) B2407.
Rienzi-Overture (Wagner).
Philadelphia Symphony Orch. 6624A.
One Alone (Romberg).
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Rienzi-Overture Part 3.
Gottterdammerung-Closing Scene.
Philadelphia Symphony Orch. 6625A.
I Think of You (Weston).
Is it British? (Weston). B2580.
Norman Long-Humorous.
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Chicago Symphony Orch.
I Love the Moon (Rubens).
Jeunesse (Barry). B2761.
Hungarian Fantasia-Parts 3 and 4 (Liszt).
The Royal Albert Hall Orchestra. 9111A.

9.00 p.m. Weather report.
Song of the Volga Boatmen.
The Dear Homeland.
Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone). C1342.

Evening Song (Schumann).
Pablo Casals.
Joelynn-Berceuse (Godard).
Tannhauser-Overture (Wagner).
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Selection—Carmen. (Bizet).
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Arrangements are in hand for the Prince of Wales to visit Argentina and Brazil in the spring of next year. The main purpose of the visit is to enable the Prince to take part in the opening of the British Empire Trade Exhibition, which will be held at Buenos Aires for about six weeks from March 14th.

It is five years since the Prince, when homeward bound from South Africa, made a tour of Argentina and other South American States. The Prince has since taken a keen interest in the development of trade relations with Latin American countries, and, following his visit, an Anglo-South American Association was formed to further this object.

Another step to extend British markets in South America was taken by the appointment by the Board of Trade of an Economic Mission of Industrialists, headed by Viscount D'Abernon, which recently visited Argentina and Brazil.

British manufacturers are displaying a keen interest in next year's Exhibition and application for space in the trade sections has necessitated the provision of more than double the covered space originally designed. The grounds and buildings cover more than twenty-five acres, but it will be difficult to accommodate all who wish to participate.

Owing to the greatly increased importance now assumed by the Exhibition, the British Government has decided to treble the sum to be expended on its official participation in the Exhibition, and a considerable part of the impressive British Government exhibits now being shown in the Antwerp Exhibition will be displayed at Buenos Aires.—British Wireless.

CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.

HOPES OF FASTER TRAIN
SERVICE.

Canton, Aug. 5.

The first shipment of sleepers for the Canton-Kowloon Railway has arrived here from Manila and the work of replacing the old sleepers is to be begun at once. It is hoped that by November a sufficiently large number of new sleepers will have been laid to permit the express trains between Canton and Kowloon to reduce their present time. A larger consignment is expected from Australia and should arrive soon.

When the work of laying all the new sleepers is completed the time of the express trains should be further reduced; it is hoped by January or February next to run the trains in 3 1/4 hours between Canton and Kowloon. When this speed is attained the railway will become a very serious competitor to the numerous river boats now plying between Canton and Hongkong, the fastest of which makes the journey in a little under six hours.

From a tourist point of view, the journey by rail is far more picturesque than by river. Furthermore, with a view to the comfort of passengers it is reported that the Railway Administration has ordered from an American firm a number of new coaches of the most up-to-date type.—Our Own Correspondent.

WEATHER STATION AT PARACELS.

NANKING GRANT OF
\$180,000.

Canton, Aug. 5.

The Central Executive Yuan at Nanking has approved the petition of the Kwangtung Provincial Government for the establishment of a radio weather station at Hsi Sha Tao (Woody Island) in the Paracels, off the south-east coast of Kwangtung.

The plan has already been proposed on several occasions since 1925, but it was only at a recent meeting of the Central Executive Yuan held in Nanking on July 8th that the proposal was formally approved and the Ministry of Finance was instructed to make a grant of \$180,000 for the cost of the erection of this station.—Our Own Correspondent.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Percy Henry Lloyd, Foreign Y.M.C.A. No. 28, Bubbling Well Road, Shanghai, to Miss Maitie Murray Omsy, who is travelling to Hongkong on board the s.s. Klyber.

AMERICAN CHIEF OF STAFF.

MAJOR GENERAL MACARTHUR
APPOINTED.

SERVED IN JAPAN.

Washington, Aug. 5.

Major General Douglas MacArthur has been appointed chief of Staff in succession to Major General Summerall.—Reuter's American Service.

Major General MacArthur was born in Arkansas in 1880 and graduated at the United States Military Academy in 1903. Five years later he graduated at the Engineering School of Application. His promotion then was rapid and from Lieutenant in 1908 he became captain in 1911, major in 1915, colonel of infantry in 1917 and brigadier-general in 1918.

He served in the Philippines in 1903 and 1904 and was with the California Debris Commission in 1905. Later he was chief engineer.



ing officer of the Pacific Division and was on duty in Japan from 1905 to 1906. He was then appointed A.D.C. to the President of the United States and later became instructor at the Mounted Service School.

He was in the Vera Cruz expedition in 1914 and was a member of the General Staff from 1913 to 1915 and from 1916 to 1917. He was appointed commander of the 84th Infantry in 1918 and participated at the Lunville, Baccarat and Esperance-Souain sectors. He was also in the Champagne-Marne and Aisne-Marne defenses and in the offensives at St. Mihiel, Essey, Pannes, Meuse-Argonne and Sedan.

He was with the army of occupation in Germany from 1918 to 1919 and was appointed superintendent of the U.S. military academy in 1919. He was decorated with the D.C.M., the D.S.C. and with the Commandership of the Legion of Honour. He was also awarded the Croix de Guerre, the Croce di Guerra (Italy) and the Order of the Crown and Officer Order of Leopold (Belgium). Major General MacArthur was twice wounded in the European war.

TALENTED DANCERS AT THE STAR.

ROWINA AND DANDOLA GIVE
MUCH PLEASURE.

Rowina and Dandola, the talented acrobatic dancers from well-known Continental theatres, contributed a delightful performance at the Star Theatre yesterday evening when they presented the local audience for the first time with a series of acrobatic and classical dances. The audience was thrilled by the marvellous acrobatic acts and charmed by the classical dances which were executed in exquisite manner, with perfect grace of movement. The Hongkong Amusements is to be congratulated on securing these famous dancers from the Folies Bergere and on the fact that the usual prices are charged.

The second part of the programme includes "The Side Show of Life," a picture depicting circus life, starring Ernest Torrence and Anna Q. Nilsson, with the former responsible for some splendid acting as a clown.

FLANNEL DANCE.

Y.M.C.A. FUNCTION AT
KOWLOON.

The popularity of the monthly flannel dances, organised by the European Y.M.C.A., is fully evidenced by the fact that for tomorrow's dance, special arrangements have had to be made with regard to accommodation, owing to the large demand for tickets.

If the weather is fine, dancing will take place on the tennis courts at the rear of the building, and if desired, on the roof. If wet, the lounge will be used.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels dance band, will, by kind permission of the management, again be in attendance, a fact which patrons will note with satisfaction.

THE WHAMPOA PORT SCHEME.

BOXER INDEMNITY FUNDS
MAY BE USED.

TO COST \$30,000,000.

Canton, Aug. 5.

It is reported that part of the British Boxer Indemnity Fund which is to be returned to China by the British Government is to be set aside by the Central Government at Nanking for the construction and development of the port of Whampoa.

The scheme for the new port has been evolved by the Board of Conservancy of Kwangtung under Mr. Wong Him-yick, Chief of the Construction Department of that Board. Funds for the commencement of the work are expected to be released by the Ministry of Finance immediately. The total amount needed for construction work is put at thirty million dollars.

The first work, to be begun at once, is the building of wharves and godowns and the dredging of the new port. The cost of this is estimated at one and a half million dollars and as soon as this money is remitted to the Board, the work will be commenced. It is reported that the Board has already placed an order with a well-known German engineering firm here for two dredgers to operate in the port.

Meantime the matter of the much-talked-of free port for the Chung Shan Model District at Tongka-wan seems to be falling into oblivion. General Chan Ming-shu, Civil Governor of Kwangtung, and his party, who have been on a tour of inspection at Tongka-wan, returned here last Saturday by the gunboat Chung Shan. They had been there to inspect the damage done by the recent typhoon which visited that area two weeks ago and to fix an official opening date for the new port. So far the official opening has been twice delayed and no further date has so far been fixed.—Our Own Correspondent.

STRIKERS IN UGLY MOOD.

FURTHER DEMONSTRATIONS
IN THE NORTH.

Lille, Aug. 5.

There have been further ugly demonstrations on the part of the strikers who have blocked roads with obstacles and stoned buses conveying non-strikers from Belgium. The number of strikers in Roubaix and Tourcoing has now increased to over twenty thousand.—Reuter.

"Blacklegs" Attacked.

Roubaix, Aug. 5.

The textile workers who are striking in the Roubaix-Tourcoing region attacked motor-coaches conveying non-strikers homeward, on the Belgian side of the frontier. Many were hit by stones, and a chauffeur was badly injured.

Belgian gendarmes were bombarded with bottles and bricks when they intervened. The strikers fired revolvers, and the gendarmes loaded their carbines, whereupon the strikers dispersed after hurling a bottle which struck a Police Commissioner on the forehead.—Reuter.

Metal Workers Resume.

Paris, Aug. 5.

The strike of metal workers now shows signs of ending. A number of employees at Lille returned to work yesterday, while the strike among workers in the metal industry at Saint Quentin has ended. A number of workers in other industries, striking in sympathy with the metal workers also resumed work. The employers announce that all factories are being re-opened to-day.—Reuter.

TWO MORE OPIUM CARRIERS.

HEAVY FINES IMPOSED AT
THE MAGISTRACY.

Revenue Officer Grimmit, before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged a Chinese with having in his possession 57 tael of raw opium.

Mr. Grimmit stated that the man was arrested at the Ping On wharf with the opium tied round his legs.

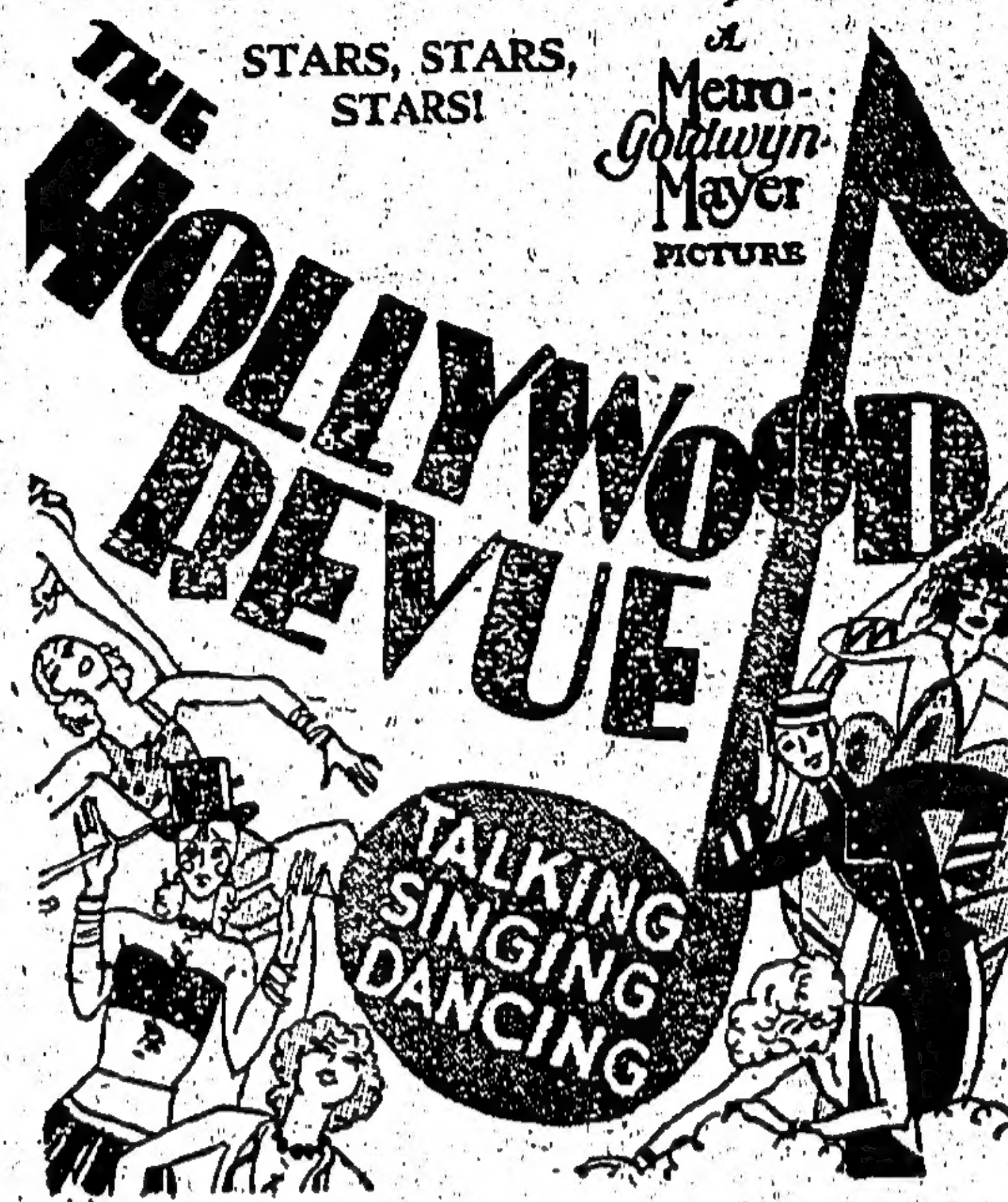
A fine of \$1,500 was imposed, or, in default, six months' imprisonment.

Another Chinese was charged by the same officer with having in his possession 33 tael of raw opium. He was arrested in Connaught Road Central, with the opium concealed round his waist. He was fined \$1,000 or four months' imprisonment.

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